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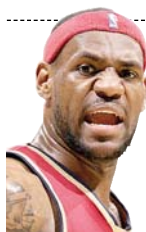
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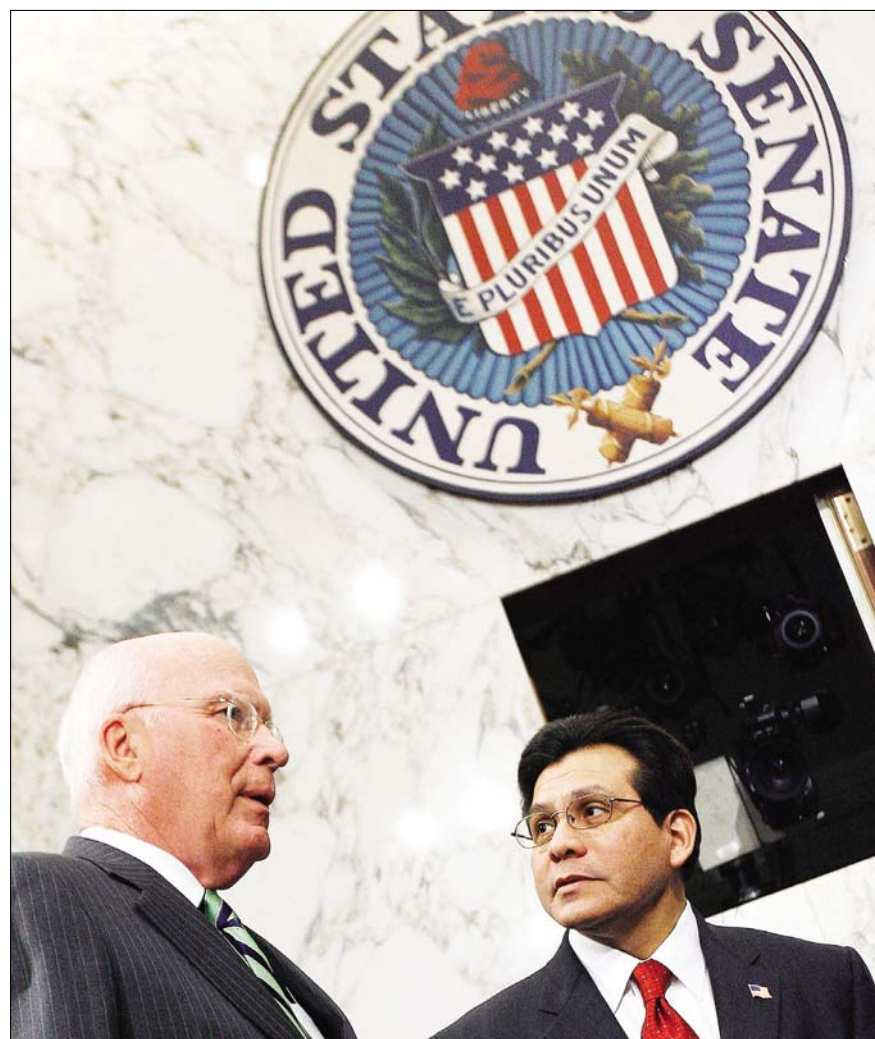


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Senators Urge Gonzales' Ouster

UNDER FIRE: Attorney General Alberto Gonzales, right, talks with Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., before a Senate Judiciary Committee hearing Thursday. Gonzales rejected calls from angry senators that he resign over the firings of eight U.S. attorneys. ❖ **'Nothing improper':** Bush defends Gonzales | **Page 3**

D.C. Vote Bill OK'd By House

Legislation still faces threat of veto from administration

WASHINGTON | The people of the District of Columbia moved a step closer Thursday to gaining voting rights denied to them for more than 200 years.

But the legislation passed by the House on a 241-177 vote faced a veto threat from the White House, which said the bill was unconstitutional. The bill would increase full House membership from 435 to 437, giving the largely Democratic half-million residents of the District a seat and adding a temporary at-large seat for Republican-leaning Utah.

The bill now goes to the Senate, where its fate is uncertain. Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., echoing the position of the Bush administration, said it was unconstitutional and he would oppose it.

Supporters, led by the current D.C. delegate in the House, Eleanor Holmes Norton, say the Constitution grants Congress the authority to give the District full voting rights. Her Republican partner on the bill, Virginia Rep. Tom Davis, urged other Republicans to "see through the fog of arm-chair constitutional analyses and do the right thing." JIM ABRAMS (AP)

OOPS | The 411 on Idiocy Two men were arrested Tuesday in Pomona, Calif., after they mistakenly called 911 when they were trying to page a drug dealer. Police traced the call and sent an officer to the pay phone, where the two



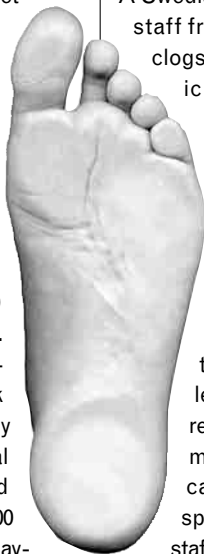
men were waiting with a stolen car. "When they were interviewing afterward, they admitted they were in a hurry for dope and made an error in dialing," said police Sgt. Michael Olivieri. "No one said criminals are smart." (AP) **EyeOpeners** | **Page 2**

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TEEN BOY FEET

Athlete's Foot On Lips Also Gross

A principal who kissed the feet of three male students to settle a bet on a volleyball game has been convicted of a misdemeanor sex charge. Robert Holloway resigned from St. Anthony of Padua School in Lorain, Ohio, after the incident was reported to police. He said he paid each student \$15 and kissed their feet 50 times each to pay off the bet. "They didn't think he would literally do it," police Sgt. Mark Carpentiere said. Holloway pleaded no contest to sexual imposition and unauthorized use of public property. Also, 400 photos of adult foot-fetish behavior were found on computers seized from Holloway's office. (AP)



HIDEOUS SHOES

Crocs So Ugly They Might Kill Humans

A Swedish hospital wants to ban its staff from wearing Crocs plastic clogs, saying they generate static electricity that can knock out medical equipment. The slip-on shoes made by U.S.-based Crocs Inc. have become popular among hospital staff in Sweden after being introduced two years ago. But Blekinge hospital suspects the clogs are to blame for at least three incidents in which respirators and other machines malfunctioned. The mishaps caused no injuries. Hospital spokesman Bjorn Lofqvist said staff wearing the clogs could turn into "a cloud of lighting" because of the static electricity. (AP)



RICK GERSHON/DALLAS MORNING NEWS/AP

UNRELIABLE

He'll Say Anything For Carrots

The first witness in a Dallas lawsuit Wednesday was Buddy the donkey, who walked to the bench and stared at the jury. He was the picture of a gentle, well-mannered creature, not the loud, aggressive animal he had been accused of being. Neighbors John Cantrell and Gregory Shamoun fought over a shed Shamoun was building, and Cantrell said Shamoun retaliated by putting Buddy in the backyard. (AP)

WILDLIFE

Sheep Mutate Into Less Boring Animals

Is it a goat? Is it a sheep? No, it's a ... what is that thing? Wildlife experts

have been unable to positively identify at least three animals spotted roaming the woods in Chester Township, Ohio. "We're not exactly sure what they are," said Allen Lea of the Ohio Division of Wildlife, which has reviewed photos

taken by a resident. "They're definitely not a native species. They're not where they belong." Experts think the animals could be tahrs (a wild goat indigenous to Asia) or mouflons (a wild sheep found in Europe and Asia). (AP)



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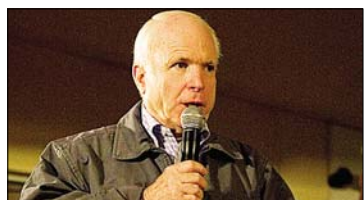




BATHROOM BREAK: A woman in Cape Coral, Fla., who was arrested for shoplifting has blamed the crime on irritable bowel syndrome, authorities said. Helen Gallo, 61, reportedly told authorities that she could not wait in line because of the illness.

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In Brief



Sen. John McCain answers questions at a campaign stop in Summerville, S.C.

WASHINGTON

McCain Turns Beach Boys Song Into Joke About Iran

Republican presidential contender John McCain joked about bombing Iran at a campaign appearance Wednesday. In response to an audience question, the senator briefly sang the chorus of "Barbara Ann." "That old, eh, that old Beach Boys song, 'Bomb Iran,'" he said in jest Wednesday. Then, he softly sang to the melody: "Bomb, bomb, bomb, bomb, anyway, ah ..."

McCain then turned serious and said the United States must work to prevent Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons. (AP)

WASHINGTON

Pentagon Says Funds For Iraq Will Last Until June

The Pentagon says it has enough money to pay for the Iraq war through June, despite warnings from the White House that troops are being harmed by Congress' failure to quickly deliver more funds. The House is slated Thursday to name its negotiators on the war funding bill with the intent of producing a compromise next week. (AP)

Gonzales Battles to Save His Job

Attorney general faces tough questions from lawmakers at hearing

WASHINGTON | Attorney General Alberto Gonzales confronted a fresh Republican call for his resignation Thursday as he struggled to survive a withering, bipartisan Senate attack on his credibility in the case of eight fired prosecutors.

"The best way to put this behind us is your resignation," Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., bluntly told Gonzales at a daylong Senate Judiciary Committee hearing.

Gonzales disagreed and told Coburn he didn't know that his departure would put the controversy to rest. "I am committed to working with you in trying to restore the faith and confidence you need to work with me."

The exchange punctuated a long day in the witness chair for the attorney general, who doggedly advanced a careful, lawyerly defense of the dismissals of the federal prosecutors.



U.S. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales testifies about the firing of eight U.S. attorneys before the Senate Judiciary Committee on Thursday on Capitol Hill.

"At the end of the day, I know I did not do anything improper," he said.

"The moment I believe I can no longer be effective, I will resign as attorney general," Gonzales said.

Bush spokesman Tony Fratto told reporters at the White House, "The attorney general has the confidence of the president. ... The attorney general acted to replace the U.S. attorneys and there was

Not Total Recall

→ The hearing was billed as Gonzales' best chance to explain the attorney firings. Instead, it became a public display of apparently endless amnesia. | A2

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nothing improper."

Struggling to save his credibility and perhaps his job, Gonzales testified scores of times that he could not recall events he was asked about.

"Since you apparently knew very little about the performance about the replaced United States attorneys, how can you testify that the judgment ought to stand?" asked Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass.

Given Gonzales' need for Republican support, the line of questioning from several GOP lawmakers was ominous.

"We have to evaluate whether you are really being forthright," Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., bluntly informed the attorney general. (AP)

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N.H. Governor Backs Civil Unions

CONCORD, N.H. | New Hampshire Gov. John Lynch said Thursday he will sign legislation establishing civil unions for gay couples in the state. "I believe it is a matter of conscience, fairness and preventing discrimination," Lynch said.

New Hampshire would become the fourth U.S. state to adopt civil

unions, following Connecticut, Vermont and New Jersey. Only Massachusetts allows gay marriage.

Lynch had previously declined to take a public position on civil unions, though he has supported expanding health benefits to same-sex partners of state workers. (AP)

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Doolittle Quits Committee

Republican takes leave from post as FBI probe continues

WASHINGTON | Rep. John Doolittle, whose house was searched by the FBI in an influence-peddling investigation, said Thursday he will step down temporarily from the House Appropriations Committee.

The announcement by the nine-term California Republican came one day after the disclosure that agents had raided his home in Oakton, Va. In the search last Friday, the FBI had a warrant for information connected with a fundraising business run by Doolittle's wife, Julie, that had done work for convicted lobbyist Jack Abramoff.

"I understand how the most recent circumstances may lead some to question my tenure on the Appropriations Committee," Doolittle wrote House Minority Leader John Boehner, R-Ohio.

"Therefore, I feel it may be in the best interest of the House that I



RANDY PENCH/AP

The home of Rep. John Doolittle, R-Calif., was raided last Friday by the FBI. The congressman is under investigation for ties to convicted lobbyist Jack Abramoff.

take a temporary leave with seniority from this committee."

Doolittle's ties to Abramoff have come under scrutiny in the corruption investigation that has sent one former Republican congressman, Bob Ney of Ohio, to prison on a guilty plea to charges of conspira-

cy and making false statements.

"John recognizes that if we are to succeed in restoring trust between the American people and their elected leaders, this action is necessary, and I commend him for having the courage to do the right thing," Boehner said. (AP)

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Gunman Was Shy, Often Laughed At

Classmates say Cho rarely spoke during high school classes

BLACKSBURG, VA. | Long before he boiled over, Virginia Tech gunman Cho Seung-Hui was pushed around and laughed at as a schoolboy in suburban Washington because of his shyness and the strange, mumbly way he talked, former classmates say.

Chris Davids, a Virginia Tech senior who graduated from Westfield High School in Chantilly, Va., with Cho in 2003, recalled that the South Korean immigrant almost never opened his mouth and would ignore attempts to strike up a conversation.

Once, in English class, the teacher had the students read aloud, and when it was Cho's turn, he just looked down in silence, Davids recalled. Finally, after the teacher threatened him with an F for participation, Cho started to read in a strange, deep voice that sounded "like he had something in his mouth," Davids said.

"As soon as he started reading,

the whole class started laughing and pointing and saying, 'Go back to China,'" Davids said.



Cho

Regan Wilder, 21, who attended Virginia Tech, high school and middle school with Cho, said she was in several classes with Cho in high school.

She said he walked around with his head down and almost never spoke. And when he did, it was "a real low mutter, like a whisper."

She said she was sure Cho probably was picked on in middle school, but so was everyone else. And it didn't seem as if English was the problem for him. If he didn't speak English well, there were several other Korean students he could have reached out to for friendship, but he didn't, she said.

Eleven people hurt in Monday's attack remained hospitalized, one in critical condition. (AP)

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REMEMBRANCE DAY: Ron Stroud carries flowers to the chair memorializing his daughter Sonja Sanders, who was among the 168 killed in the 1995 bombing of the federal building. Thursday was the 12-year anniversary of the attack.

WILD THING: A wild boar trapped in the middle of a major highway halted traffic for about 15 minutes outside Barcelona, Spain, on Thursday, authorities said. Police were prepared to shoot the creature if necessary, but eventually it ran away.



World

Blast Kills 12 in a Shaken Baghdad

Suicide strike comes amid spasm of attacks; 3 U.S. soldiers killed

BAGHDAD | A suicide bomber slipped past security barriers to kill 12 people Thursday, the latest in a wave of attacks that have shown the resilience of insurgents in the face of a U.S.-led crackdown on major violence in Iraq's capital.

The attack in a mostly Shiite district showed yet again the ability of insurgents to penetrate Baghdad's heavy security presence, a day after more than 230 people died in the worst spasm of mass killings since President Bush announced his plan in January to increase American troop levels in Iraq by 30,000.

Iraq's prime minister, Nouri al-Maliki, said an "open battle" was being waged for control of his nation.

Thursday's attacker blew himself up next to a fuel tanker within 500 yards of Iraqi President Jalal Talabani's home in the Karradah district. Talabani, a Kurd, was not



A SOMBER SCENE: An Iraqi woman reacts on Thursday to the scene of Wednesday's deadly multiple car bombing attacks in the Sadriyah market in Baghdad.

believed to have been the target. Two Iraqi soldiers were among the dead, and 34 people were wounded, police said.

U.S. commanders urged patience, saying the nine-week operation was still just beginning.

Al-Maliki said Thursday that militants had "proven their spite by targeting humanity."

"This is Iraq. They sabotage and we build and continue the reconstruction," al-Maliki said defiantly.

Uncomfortably Numb

→ By Baghdad standards, Thursday's attack was minor — but it was a personal tragedy for those involved and another layer of grief for the city. | **Today, A Section**

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Insurgents were equally defiant. A Sunni insurgent coalition posted Web videos on Thursday naming the head of al-Qaeda in Iraq as "minister of war" and showing the executions of 20 men it said were members of the Iraqi military and security forces.

At least 46 Iraqis were killed or found dead nationwide Thursday.

The U.S. announced three more troop deaths — two soldiers killed Wednesday by a roadside bomb north of the capital, and another soldier killed the same day in a small arms fire attack in southwest Baghdad.

Two British soldiers were killed and three others wounded Thursday by an explosion in southeastern Iraq. LAUREN FRAYER (AP)



A Nigerian woman stands in front of a burning oil pipeline near Port Harcourt.

No Boycott For Pivotal Nigeria Poll

Opposition reverses on threat to disavow presidential election

ABUJA, NIGERIA | Nigeria's two main opposition parties withdrew threats on Thursday to boycott presidential elections, setting the stage for a weekend vote meant to boost civilian rule in Africa's most populous nation.

Eighteen opposition parties threatened in a joint statement earlier this week to boycott unless the government postponed Saturday's vote pending the creation of a new electoral commission. The All Nigeria People's Party led by presidential candidate Gen. Muhammadu Buhari was the first among the 18 to break ranks.

The opposition has said it was worried the vote would be undermined by fraud.

Vice President Atiku Abubakar's Action Congress called Buhari's unilateral move a "stab in the back," saying unless the opposition acted together, any boycott would be meaningless. Abubakar, who was only cleared to run by a Supreme Court ruling days ago, would have been particularly helped by a delay.

The 1999 election of President Olusegun Obasanjo, a former military ruler, ended decades of near-constant military rule and coups d'état that overturned periodic civilian administrations. His 2003 re-election was marred by violence and accusations of fraud. (AP)

'Clock Is Ticking' On U.S. Effort in Iraq, Gates Says

FALLUJAH, IRAQ | U.S. Defense Secretary Robert Gates landed in Baghdad on Thursday to deliver a sharp message to Iraqi political leaders: The U.S. military's commitment to the war is not open-ended.

"The clock is ticking," Gates told reporters, saying he will warn Iraqi officials that they must move faster on political reconciliation. "I know it's difficult ... but I think that it's very important that they bend every effort to getting this legislation done as quickly as possible."

Gates, traveling to Iraq for the third time in four months, took a decidedly stronger tone on this trip, reflecting U.S. frustration and the political tumult in Washington where President Bush and Congress are deadlocked over whether to set an end date for the war. (AP)

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World

Fears of Ethnic Violence in Russia

University tells foreign students to stay inside on volatile weekend

MOSCOW | A leading Moscow university ordered its foreign students on Thursday to stay in their dormitories for the next three days due to fears of ethnic violence before and after Adolf Hitler's birthday.

The move by Sechenov Moscow Medical Academy underscores the failure of Russian authorities to stem xenophobia and racism that is feeding a marked rise in hate crimes.

At least 22 people have been killed and more than 130 injured in apparent hate crimes in Russia this year, according to the Sova human rights center, which monitors xenophobia.

Last year, 53 people were killed and 460 injured, Sova says.

Hundreds of foreigners at the school were told to stock up on food and warned they would not be let out of the dormitories through Saturday.

A Sechenov Academy official

said the school was conducting emergency drills, but conceded that one reason for the measure was to protect foreign students from potential violence around the time of Hitler's birthday Friday.

Skinheads tend to become more violent around the Nazi leader's April 20 birthday, and in the past have appeared in groups, shouted slogans and staged attacks on apparent foreigners and others who do not appear Slavic.

"It is nice that the university is taking care of us, but on the other hand it's absurd that our freedom is being limited because of some militant groups," said Liah Ganeline, a second-year medical student from Israel.

Ganeline said that last year skinheads threw firebombs at her dormitory in the southern part of Moscow after shouting offensive slogans and giving the Nazi salute.

In the past, Moscow authorities have also closed some outdoor markets, where many traders are dark-skinned foreigners, for several days before Hitler's birthday to avoid violence. MARIA DANILOVA (AP)

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SUPPORT: A Palestinian man holds up a poster during a rally calling for the release of kidnapped BBC correspondent Alan Johnston in Gaza City. Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas said Thursday he had received intelligence reports this week confirming the captive British journalist is alive. A previously unknown militant group claimed it had killed Johnston on Sunday.

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Money



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Google Tops Profit Predictions Again

SAN FRANCISCO | Google Inc.'s first-quarter profit rose 69 percent, maintaining the online search leader's penchant for blowing past analyst estimates.

The Mountain View, Calif.-based company said Thursday that it earned \$1 billion, or \$3.18 cents per share, during the first three months of the year. That compared with net income of \$592.3 million, or \$1.95 per share, at the same time last year.

If not for expenses incurred for employee stock compensation, Google said it would have earned \$3.68 per share. That figure topped the average estimate of \$3.30 per share among analyst surveyed by Thomson Financial.

Quarterly revenue reached a new company high of \$3.66 billion, a 63 percent increase from \$2.25 billion last year.

After subtracting advertising commissions, Google's revenue totaled \$2.53 billion. That amount was about \$40 million above analyst estimates.

Internet powerhouse Google has now beat analysts' estimates in all but one of 11 quarters since its ballyhooed initial public offering in August 2004.

The scintillating performance has helped elevate Google's market value to nearly \$150 billion, despite a 6 percent decline in the stock price since the company's last earnings report. **MICHAEL LIEDTKE (AP)**

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
LabrRdy	21.63	+3.43	+18.8
Valmont	63.97	+6.66	+11.6
PlaytPd	14.92	+1.39	+10.3
ImpacMtg	5.01	+0.45	+9.9
RelStAl s	56.90	+5.06	+9.8

Losers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Imation	36.20	-5.09	-12.3
BrigStrat	28.50	-3.30	-10.4
Wesco Intl	61.20	-5.09	-7.7
MarIntA s	47.99	-3.88	-7.5
Zapata	6.71	-.49	-6.8

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
PokerTek	12.49	+2.39	+23.7
IvanhoeEn	2.65	+.33	+14.2
I-Flow	16.50	+1.92	+13.2
USA Tech n	12.25	+1.35	+12.4
Iomai	4.90	-.01	-0.2

Losers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
AviciSys	9.65	-3.89	-28.7
AvanirP	3.90	-1.29	-24.9
SpansionA	10.00	-2.49	-19.9
SmithMicro	16.36	-3.37	-17.1
PemcoAvi	8.01	-1.58	-16.5

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	8.25	8.25
Fed Funds close	5.20	5.23
3-month disc	4.85	4.89
2-year	4.63	4.71
10-year	4.66	4.73
30-year	4.83	4.91

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.4995	.4986	.5582
Canadian Dollar	1.1286	1.1284	1.1355
European Euro	.7351	.7364	.8078
Japanese Yen	118.37	118.61	117.28
Mexican Peso	10.9967	10.9820	10.9670
Taiwanese Dollar	33.14	33.27	32.40

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+4.79	-5.15	-1.77
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Pharmacy Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
AbtLab	57.24	-.79	+17.5
Allergan	118.69	+1.34	-.9
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Local

Council Gives Fenty School Power

Mayor receives final approval from D.C. for education takeover

Mayor Adrian M. Fenty received final approval from the D.C. Council Thursday afternoon to take control of the city's failing public schools, and he pledged to begin working as soon as possible to fix dilapidated buildings, examine finances and review management personnel.

For the second time in two weeks, the council voted 9-2 to reduce the power of the Board of Education and put Fenty, a Democrat, in charge of the superintendent, operating budget and \$2.3 billion capital improvement program of the 55,000-student system.

Fenty must wait until Congress votes to change the city's Home Rule



D.C. Mayor Adrian Fenty pleads his case to the D.C. Council for public school control. On Thursday, the Council voted 9-2 in favor of reducing the Board of Education's power.

Charter until he assumes complete authority.

Aides said they expected Congress to approve the change without difficulty, and the mayor said he will work with school system officials to start the transfer of power.

How much he can do until Congress acts, however, is uncertain.

The administration also has been working with the office of Democratic Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton to determine the fastest way to get Congress to vote on the charter change. In the meantime, mayoral aides said they plan to hire an outside consultant to conduct a "forensic audit" of the school system's finances and review of management personnel, including Superintendent Clifford B. Janey.

DAVID NAKAMURA (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Council Approves Vaccine

HPV shots to start in 2009; parents given permission to opt out

The D.C. Council approved a bill Thursday requiring young girls receive a vaccine against a virus that can cause cervical cancer, despite the protests of parents and the national controversy surrounding the vaccine.

The council addressed the debate by adopting amendments to postpone the implementation of the mandatory immunization by one year, in order to launch an aggressive campaign to educate the public about the vaccine and to make it easy for parents or guardians to opt out for any reason.

When school begins in fall 2009, girls entering the sixth grade must prove that they have received the vaccine that fights the human papillomavirus, or HPV, unless their parents or guardians excuse them. The legislation, which originally called for girls to be inoculated in 2008, will be similar to legislation adopted in Virginia earlier this month.

NIKITA STEWART (THE WASHINGTON POST)

The Lotteries

Thursday, April 19

DISTRICT

Mid-day Lucky Numbers	4-0-2
Evening Lucky Numbers (Wed.)	1-9-8
Mid-day DC 4	7-8-7-4
Evening DC 4 (Wed.)	6-9-4-8
Rolling Cash Five (Wed.)	3-5-14-20-23
Daily 6 (Wed.)	7-11-12-26-27-31 Bonus: 18
Hot Lotto (Wed.)	6-21-31-32-34 (5)

MARYLAND

Mid-day Pick 3	5-4-2
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	0-7-7
Mid-day Pick 4	7-7-8-9
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	1-4-1-1
Match 5 (Wed.)	2-13-27-36-37 Bonus: 39
Lotto (Wed.)	2-7-19-25-33-38

VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3 (Thurs.)	8-6-3
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	6-8-4
Mid-day Pick 4 (Thurs.)	6-1-6-2

Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	0-0-8-9
Mid-day Cash 5 (Thurs.)	3-16-18-29-30
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	9-22-29-31-32
Win for Life (Wed.)	5-30-34-35-37

MULTI-STATE GAMES

Powerball (Wed.)	6-10-12-13-24 (19)
Power Play	3X

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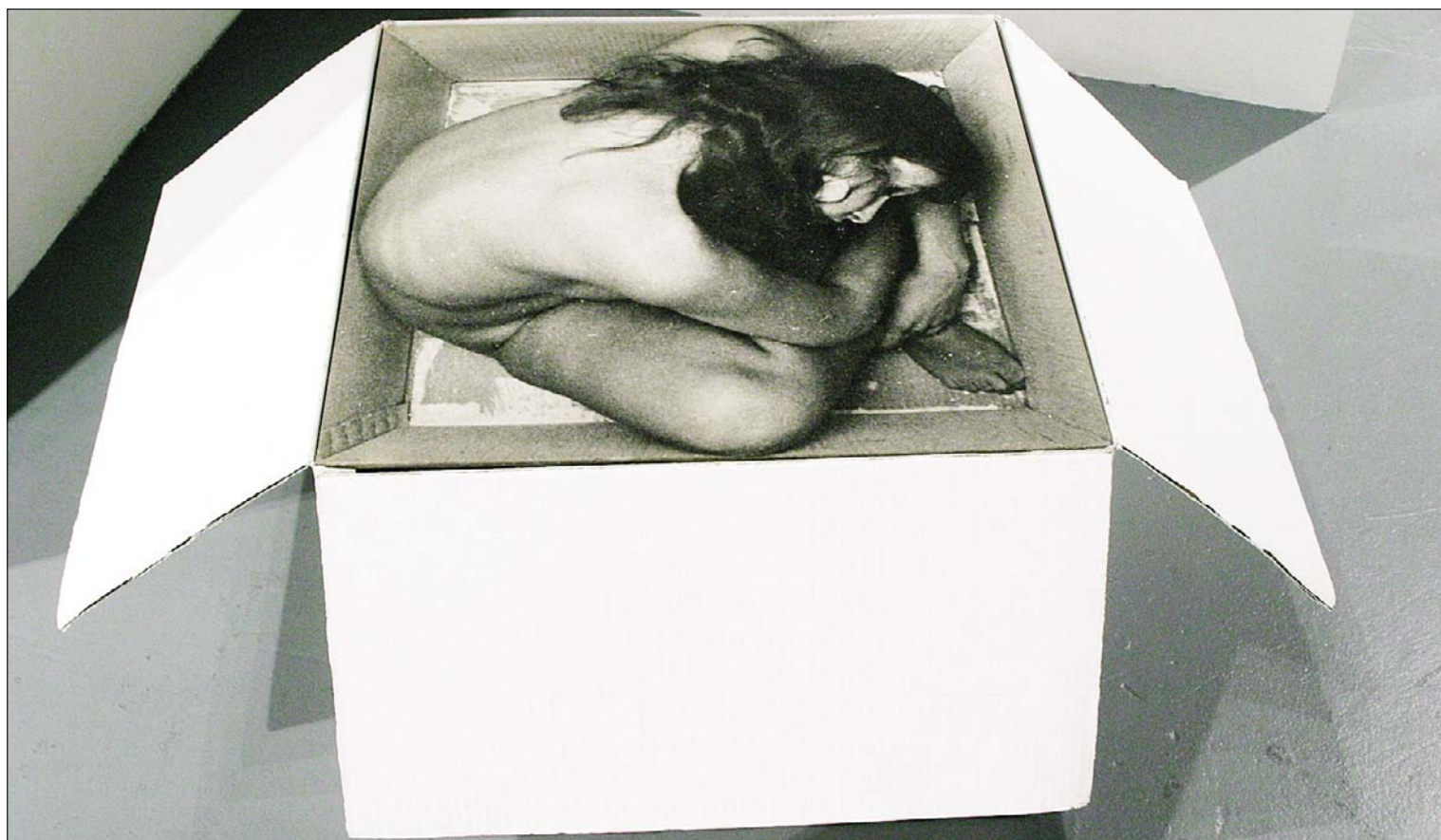
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BODY OF WORK: This sculpture by Kirsten Justesen, created in 1969, is part of WACK! Art and the Feminist Revolution. WACK! will come to D.C. in September.

Outside the Box

A feminist revolution changed the way art will be viewed forever

What Is Feminist Art?

- (a) An interesting chapter in art history, now closed.
- (b) Special pleading for mediocre artists.
- (c) A souvenir left behind by 1960s counterculture.
- (d) The most important artistic movement since World War II.

The correct answer is d. Others agree.

Feminist creativity has brought about "the most far-reaching transformations in both artmaking and art writing over the past four decades," says Stanford scholar Peggy Phelan.

Feminist art of the 1970s was "the most influential international movement of any during the post-war period," declares Jeremy Strick, director of the Museum of Con-

temporary Art in Los Angeles.

More than any other 20th century movement, feminism pushed back against the art-for-art's-sake attitudes of modernist abstraction. It pushed instead for work that talked about crucial issues in the world outside. Ever since feminism, in all areas of artmaking, the message has mattered as much as the medium.

One simple way to gauge the influence of vintage feminist art: by how much it's on our minds today.

In January, a symposium on the subject was held at the Museum of Modern Art in New York, in front of an overflow crowd.

Last month, a blowout show of feminist art of the 1960s and '70s launched in Los Angeles, and the Brooklyn Museum opened its lavish new Elizabeth A. Sackler Center for Feminist Art.

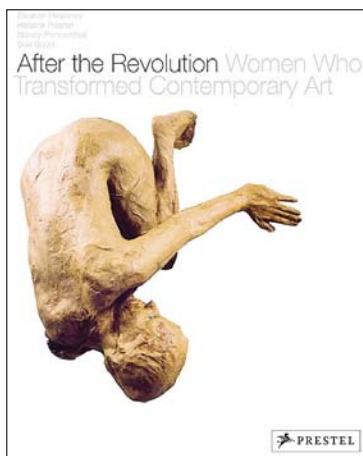
Next Friday night in Washington, the National Museum of Women in the Arts hosted a splashy celebration of the institution's 20th



Helena Almeida's "Pintura Habitada" is part of the feminist movement that will be celebrated next Friday in D.C.

anniversary, alongside an important exhibition of female painters from Renaissance Italy. (Come September, it will be hosting "WACK! Art and the Feminist Revolution," as the L.A. show is called.)

There's a reason all this women's work has come together now — it's the 30th anniversary of "Women Artists: 1550-1950," the first major museum survey of the subject. But feminists haven't planned a strategic, unified



effort to celebrate that moment. Classic feminist art is all around us now simply because it is a perfect fit for what's up in today's art world.

Take "WACK!" The most striking thing about it is how current its art feels, though it's all decades old.

Because gender affects just about every aspect of human experience, feminist artists found occasion to talk about almost everything. They dealt with topics that leading art-



ALSO THIS SUNDAY

Discover Newfoundland

Find crashing waves, rocky cliffs, spouting whales, picturesque views and the Royal Order of Screechers in Newfoundland. | **Travel**

Garden State of Mind

Take a tour of the Post garden columnist's backyard garden, featuring interviews with three local artists about how they designed art space in their homes, plus the 10-year renovation that turned a homely cottage into a showplace. | **The Magazine**

ists have been broaching ever since: bodies, class, race, consumerism, the art market, colonialism, political and cultural power.

Many of the female and feminist themes in this show, as well as the simple concentration of them in one place, can leave even fans feeling vaguely squirmy. We're clearly not used to an exhibition that's all woman.

A British feminist who called herself Cozey Fanni Tutti pushed further into problems of women, power and victimhood. She addressed the complex issues of sex and pornography by becoming a real porn star, modeling for grossly low-end, hard-core rags.

The room that documents her art, full of all kinds of ugly and degrading shots, is genuinely hard to take — as it ought to be, given the subject it addresses. Has Tutti retaken control of the female body, or does her project demonstrate its ongoing and inevitable degradation at the hands of men?

There's no easy answer, just an effort to ask the question as potentially as possible. In Tutti's art, as in work by her more famous peers Cindy Sherman and Martha Rosler, there's also a crucial questioning of how images of women function in society. This is a crucial precedent for the broader questioning of images that artists, of all stripes and both genders, have been doing ever since. It may be feminism's greatest contribution to the history of art.

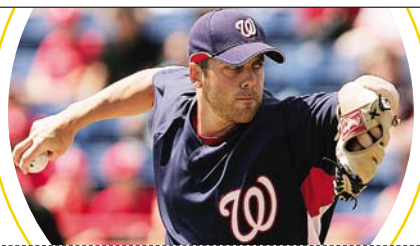
BLAKE GOPNIK (THE WASHINGTON POST)

A Woman's Touch

→ Critic Ann Hornaday gauges the progress of the National Museum of Women in the Arts in its 20th year and the progress of women artists. | **ARTS**

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**NATIONALS**

Still on the Hill: Starter Shawn Hill is finally pitching like a staff ace now that his right arm is cooperating. | 17

Sports Weekend

Cavs Country

Wizards draw tough matchup with King James' Cavs in round 1

WIZARDS | If life were fair, medicine would be affordable, quotas would be unnecessary and every guy would get to live out that Salma Hayek fantasy at least once.

Under those terms, Eddie Jordan would be preparing his team to either host Miami or travel to Toronto.

Instead, the wounded Wizards are headed to the land of LeBron James to take on Cleveland in a rematch of last year's first-round playoff series.

Devastated by injuries to stars Gilbert Arenas and Caron Butler, Washington (41-41) has lost eight of its last 10 contests and are a long shot to win the series — or, at this point, maybe even one game.

"We played 100 percent. That's

WIZARDS VS. CAVALIERS

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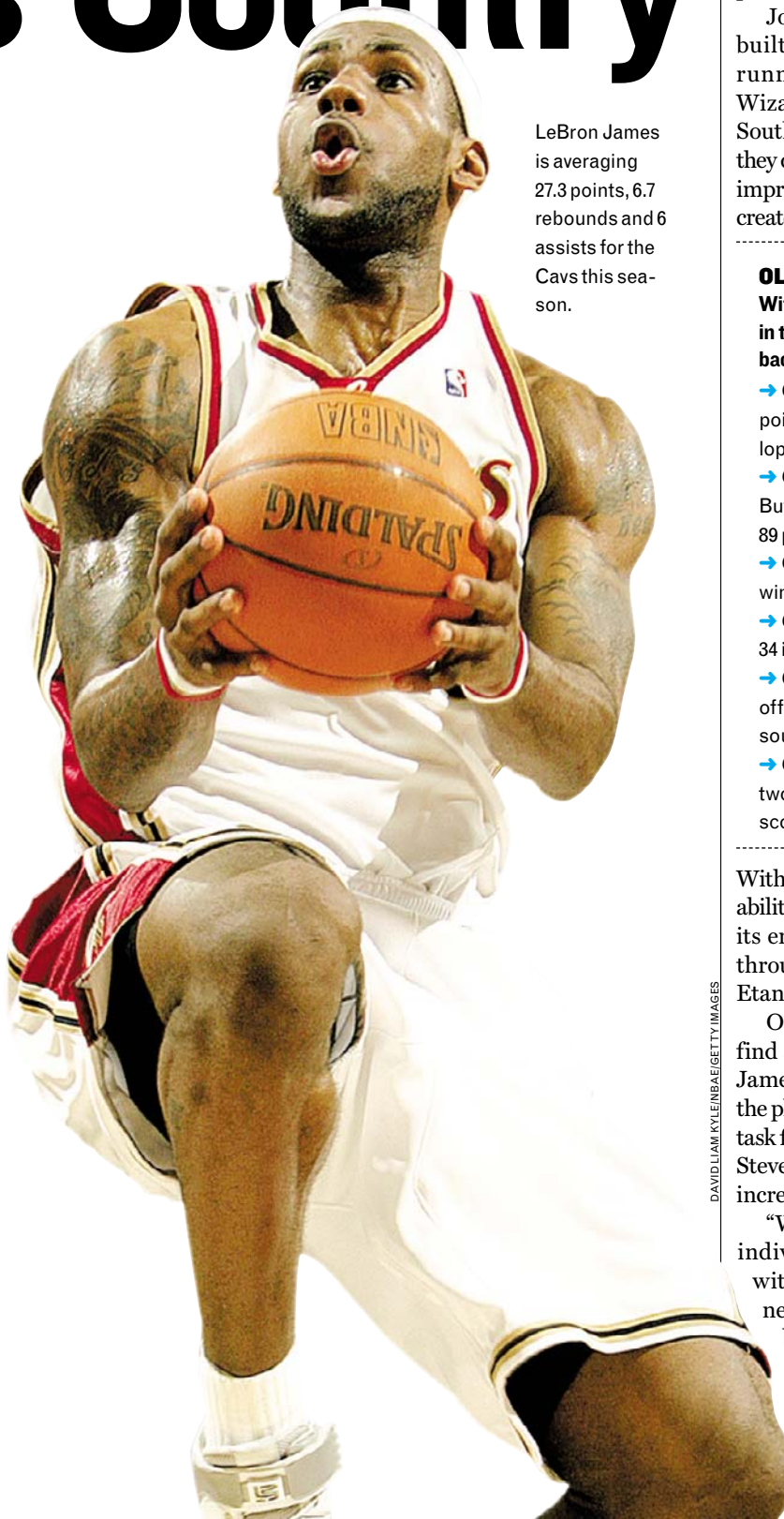
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all you could ask for in our situation," Wizards captain Antawn Jamison said. "I'm proud of these guys. They could have just hung their heads ... but we stayed focused."

Jordan has reiterated how the team's margin for error has become small in the absence of Arenas and Butler (the latter of whom may be able to return from his broken hand if the Wizards were to advance to the second round).

"This is a different team," Jordan said. "We don't have a guy who can do what Gil does. We trusted Gil

LeBron James is averaging 27.3 points, 6.7 rebounds and 6 assists for the Cavs this season.



DAVID LAM KYLE/BAE/GETTY IMAGES

and Caron and what they did, and it was good for us. Now we want to trust what we can do with the people that we have."

Jordan said this new trust is built on a stricter adherence to running the offense. When the Wizards leaped to the top of the Southeast Division in December, they did it on the strength of Arenas' improvisation at the point, which created open shots for other players.

OLD FRIENDS MEET AGAIN

With the Wizards facing the Cavs in the first round again, we look back to their series last year:

- Game 1: James scores 32 points and dishes out 11 assists in lopsided 97-86 win at Cleveland.
- Game 2: Arenas, Jamison and Butler combine for 72 of Wizards' 89 points in a five-point victory.
- Game 3: James hits the game-winner to win 97-96.
- Game 4: Arenas explodes for 34 in a 106-96 win.
- Game 5: James work his play-off magic, scoring as the buzzer sounds to win 121-120 in OT.
- Game 6: After Arenas misses two free throws, Damon Jones scores to win 114-113 in OT.

Without the All-Star's playmaking abilities, Washington has increased its emphasis on working the ball through the post to Jamison and Etan Thomas.

On defense, the Wizards must find a way to lessen the impact of James, who knocked them out of the playoffs last season. That's a tall task for defensive stopper DeShawn Stevenson, who must also carry an increased scoring load.

"We need to do a terrific job individually as much as we can with LeBron," Jordan said. "We need help defense to be there because we realize how he can get his teammates involved."

"In the playoffs, the stars bring it. Our main focus is to ... limit his star power." ERIC BRANDNER

TV Lineup



Ronnie Belliard and the Nats have settled down and won four of the last seven.

→ **FISH FILET:** The Nationals head south for a three-game series with the Marlins on Friday (7:05 p.m. on MASN), Saturday (7:05 p.m. on MASN) and Sunday (1:05 p.m. on MASN).

→ **WAR OF THE BIRDS:** After a successful road trip, the O's come home to host the Blue Jays in a three-game set on Friday (7:05 p.m. on MASN2), Saturday (7:05 p.m. on MASN), and Sunday (1:35 p.m. on MASN2).

→ **BEARDS GROW LONGER:** The NHL playoffs continue as the Sabres



Miller

look to clinch their series against the Islanders (7 p.m. on VERSUS) and the Sharks hope to do the same against Nashville (9 p.m. on VERSUS).

→ **TROUBLE IN THE KING'S COURT:** The Wizards look to pull off an upset in the playoffs, facing the Cleveland Cavaliers in round 1. The Wiz and Cavs jump it up in Game 1 on Sunday (12:30 p.m. on TNT).

→ **TITLE UP FOR GRABS:** Saturday, Vinsanity brings his Nets to Toronto to battle the Raptors (12:30 p.m. on ESPN) in first-round playoff action. Then, Miami is at Chicago (3 p.m. on ABC), Orlando is at Detroit (7 p.m. on ESPN) and Utah is at Houston (9:30 p.m. on ESPN). On Sunday, Kobe and the Lakers head to sunny Phoenix to battle the Suns (3 p.m. on ABC). Then, Denver travels to San Antonio (7 p.m. on TNT) and Golden State is at Dallas (9:30 p.m. on TNT).



NFL | The Rod That Binds On April 28, when football fans will be glued to their TVs watching the NFL draft, Wisconsin offensive tackle Joe Thomas, who is believed to go in the top five, will be out fishing with his father. According to the NFL Network, Thomas turned down an invitation from NFL commissioner Roger Goodell to attend the draft week festivities in New York, saying he wanted to maintain a tradition, in which he spends draft day fishing for Coho salmon in Lake Michigan with his dad. (EXPRESS)



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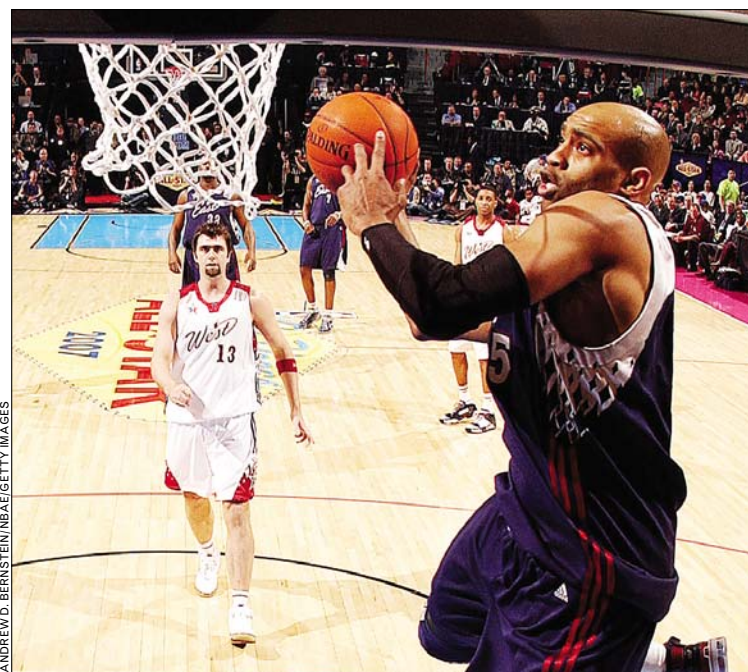
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AIR CANADA: Vince Carter took his high-flying acrobatics from Toronto to New Jersey, and now his Nets are heading back to Canada for a first-round playoff series.

A Return Trip For Vince, Nellie

Player and coach go up against former teams as the playoffs tip off

NBA PLAYOFFS | Vince Carter is returning to Toronto, and the Golden State Warriors are headed back to the postseason.

The Warriors clinched their first playoff spot since 1994 by beating the Portland Trail Blazers 120-98 on Wednesday. Golden State (42-40) beat out the Clippers to grab the No. 8 seed, ending the NBA's longest playoff drought.

"I'm glad it's over," guard Jason Richardson said. "I don't think I will be able to sleep for about two days." The Warriors will open against league-best Dallas on Sunday night in a matchup of coach Don Nelson against his former team.

The Dallas fans probably won't be as rough on Nellie as the Toronto ones will on Carter.

The New Jersey Nets beat the Chicago Bulls 106-97, clinching the No. 6 seed in the East and preventing Chicago from finishing second.

New Jersey will play the first game of the postseason Saturday afternoon against the Atlantic Division champion Raptors in Toronto,

PLAYOFF PICTURE

Eastern Conference:

- No. 1 Pistons vs. No. 8 Magic
- No. 2 Cavaliers vs. No. 7 Wizards
- No. 3 Raptors vs. No. 6 Nets
- No. 4 Heat vs. No. 5 Bulls

Western Conference:

- No. 1 Mavericks vs. No. 8 Warriors
- No. 2 Suns vs. No. 7 Lakers
- No. 3 Spurs vs. No. 6 Nuggets
- No. 4 Jazz vs. No. 5 Rockets

where Carter is likely to hear boos every time he touches the ball. He starred for the Raptors for more than six seasons before his unhappiness forced Toronto to trade Carter to the Nets in December 2004.

"That matchup, I welcome it. I'm sure that he wants to play here. I don't mind seeing him, either," said Toronto's Chris Bosh, a former teammate. "It's a turning part for this organization. Who better to play than the guy who helped build this place up?"

A Chicago victory would have set up a Bulls-Nets series in the first round. Instead, the Bulls fell to the No. 5 seed and will open the postseason Saturday against the defending champion Heat. BRIAN MAHONEY (AP)

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WIZARDS | BY MATT SWENSON

Wiz Wanted the Cavs All Season

THE SAD, BITTER IRONY to end the Washington Wizards' season is the playoff series they were hoping for.

Here is a chance to exact revenge on King James and company, who knocked the Wiz kids out of last year's playoffs. The worst part wasn't losing; it was how the Cleveland Cavaliers advanced.

In the series' most memorable moment, King James psyched out Agent Zero at the foul line and then hit two game-winning shots in the final seconds of the six-game set.

What better way to march to the Eastern Conference finals than by dropping last year's archenemy?

Of course, that won't happen

Knowing the Wizards, they will put in a good fight in two or three of the games.

now. Without the injured Gilbert Arenas and Caron Butler, Washington will be lucky to win a game against the Cavaliers.

Knowing the Wizards, they will put in a good fight in two or three of the games. But the team's inability to make key baskets down the stretch would make beating the Virginia Cavaliers a struggle at this point.

And then will begin the process of rebuilding after a curse- and injury-ridden season. Finding a defensive force in the paint can't be just talk anymore. Defense will have to become the priority, if for no other reason than to have a safeguard if the offense gets depleted again.

Tough choices will have to be made, even though no one will know just how far this group would have advanced.

At least the Cavaliers will be around to knock out next year.



Heat star Dwyane Wade, center, says that, even though Miami struggled through the regular season, the defending champs are poised for another playoff run.

Miami Ready At 'Right Time'

Riley and Wade say the Heat is built for another playoff run

NBA PLAYOFFS | Pat Riley sat in his office one morning, the sun glimmering off Biscayne Bay behind him, and shared one of the worst-kept secrets about his Miami Heat.

He suggested this season's first 82 games of this season wouldn't exactly motivate the defending NBA champions.

"I would not want to be a team on the other side of us in a seven-game series, because this is a rise-to-the-occasion type of team," Riley said even before training camp began.

Motivation isn't a concern for the Heat anymore. This is that "right time" Riley spoke about.

It's playoff time.

"We are built for this," said Heat guard Dwyane Wade, the reigning NBA finals MVP. "We are built for the playoffs."

Miami visits Chicago on Saturday in Game 1 of a best-of-seven Eastern Conference first-round series, the second straight year the Heat and Bulls collide in the opening matchup; Miami ousted Chicago in six games a year ago.

And an ever-confident Riley is eager to put his theory to the test.

"I think the team can repeat, regardless of what the situation is," Riley said. "We have a lot of respect for the teams in the Eastern Conference and whoever will be there in the finals, but we're the defending champions. We know what we have to do and how we have to do it, and whatever we have to fight through, we're going to do that."

Already, Miami has fought through plenty this season, including injuries to its two stars, Wade and Shaq.

"It was a tough year," Wade said. "But it's a different season now, and we're looking forward to defending our crown." TIM REYNOLDS (AP)

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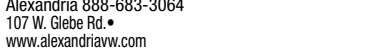
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One With His Right Arm

Nats' Hill is pitching like the staff ace after serious arm surgery

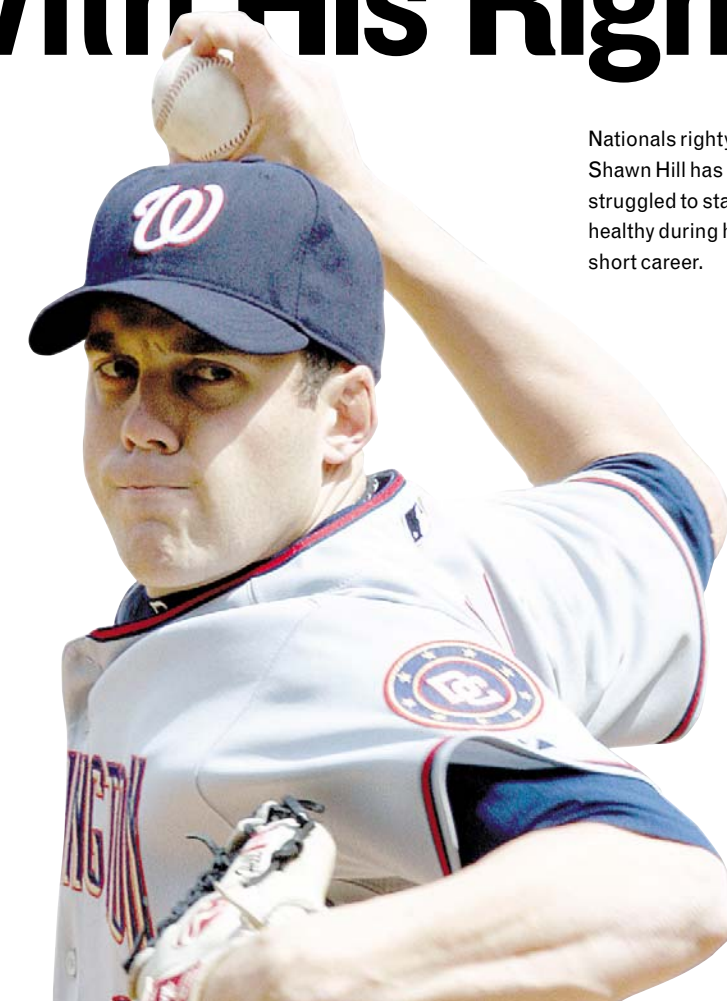
NATIONALS | A truce has been declared. Shawn Hill and his right arm finally are working together.

The Nationals pitcher and his temperamental limb have squared off for years like a pair of feuding siblings. Now, after a dominant spring and three strong regular-season starts, Hill is flashing the talent that prompted the Montreal Expos to call him up to the big leagues in 2004 at age 23.

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The relationship began to go bad shortly after that 2003 stint. Hill made three starts in June and July with the Expos then joined Team Canada for the Summer Olympics in Athens, Greece. By September, he was undergoing ligament replacement in his right elbow, the dreaded Tommy John surgery.

He missed the remainder of



Nationals' righty Shawn Hill has struggled to stay healthy during his short career.

that season and all of 2004 before working his way back and pitching impressively in six starts with the Nationals last season. But then the elbow flared up and he was shut down.

"The whole thing with me has been staying healthy," Hill said. "I had the one injury, and it's affected me my whole career."

Save for some residual tightness in his forearm, he's getting

along famously now with the arm that took him from hockey-loving Ontario, Canada, and led him to the capital of the United States, playing America's national pastime.

Hill, who takes the hill tonight at Florida, is averaging more than six innings per start and has yet to allow more than two runs. While other starters struggled early, he has been a source of relief for first-year manager Manny Acta, who designated Hill the No. 2 starter in the spring after receiving tangible assurance of his health.

"Somebody described him as a soft-tossing right-hander. This guy's not a soft-tossing right-hander," Acta said. "This guy has a good power sinker and good breaking-ball stuff. Most of all, he's never been intimidated."

Indeed, while Hill's arm has periodically abandoned him, his mind has remained in fine working order. He has been neither distraught over his troubles nor enamored with his successes.

"A lot of people have talked about my maturity," said Hill, who turns 26 on April 28. "I prefer, if I throw a one-hitter, come up and tell me why I gave up a hit, instead of why I did so good. ... I've gotten off to a good start, and I'm pleased about it. But I've got a long year ahead."

DEREK TURNER

PITCHING MATCHUPS



Shawn Hill

Throws: Right
Fastball: Low 90s
Best Pitch: Sinker

YEAR	IP	ERA	W	L	H	ER	BB	SO
'07 NL	18.2	2.89	1	2	19	6	12	16
'06 NL	36.2	4.66	1	3	43	19	65	185



Scott Olsen

Throws: Left
Fastball: Mid 90s
Best Pitch: Slider

YEAR	IP	ERA	W	L	H	ER	BB	SO
'07 NL	13.0	6.92	2	1	12	10	12	7
'06 NL	180.2	4.04	12	10	160	81	75	166

GAME 1 Hill, the Nationals' No. 2 starter, has been pitching like their staff ace, shutting down the Mets in his last start. The Marlins' young lefty has struggled with his control so far this season, walking 12 in 13 innings. However, Olson did beat the Nats in D.C. on April 3.

GAME 2



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GAME 3



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Weekend Sports

Unlucky Islanders

With calls going the
other way, New York
is in a 3-1 series hole

NHL PLAYOFFS | Ted Nolan saw it
coming.

The New York coach summed
up the Islanders' Game 4 loss to the
Buffalo Sabres more than 24 hours
before the teams even took the ice
Wednesday night.

"Certain people get breaks in life
and certain people don't. We're that
group right now," Nolan said after
practice Tuesday.

Chris Drury, the Buffalo star
who has been making big plays
since his Little League champion-
ship days in Trumbull, Conn., was
at it again Wednesday night, scor-
ing twice in the top-seeded Sabres' 4-2 victory.

And the Islanders, facing elimi-
nation in Game 5 Friday night in
Buffalo, again couldn't get a video
goal review to go their way.

Two nights after Buffalo's Thomas
Vanek was credited with a goal after
a lengthy review, Islanders defense-



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The Islanders are down 3-1 in their series vs. Buffalo after two calls went the other way.

man Brendan Witt appeared to tie it
with 1:42 left in a wild scramble that
left goalie Ryan Miller inside the net
with the puck under him.

Referee Mike Leggo — direct-
ly behind the goal, but screened by
Miller's body — immediately waved
it off, ruling Miller was pushed into
the net after making the save. The
decision was upheld by replay offi-

cials in Toronto.

While the Isles were upset at the
call, they are trying to put the goal
controversy behind them, as they
still have at least one more game to
play.

"We have to come out and play a
great game Friday night," DiPietro
said. "They're a great team and they're
smelling blood." JOHN NICHOLSON (AP)

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United's Defense Departs

2 games into the 2007 campaign, the team can't stop opponents

UNITED | It can't be a good sign when your third-week bye is a welcome relief, but that's D.C. United's outlook following a shocking opening to the 2007 campaign. The pre-season favorite was torn apart in its first two games, yielding a combined six goals to unfancied Colorado and Kansas City. United and expansion Toronto are the only two clubs to start 0-2.

"Absolutely," coach Tom Soehn said when asked whether the bye was coming at an opportune time. "We've got a lot to work on."

United's front office, coaching staff and players insisted throughout the offseason that the defense was not in need of an upgrade, even



Kansas City's Scott Sealy moves past Facundo Erpen during United's 4-2 home loss to the Wizards last Saturday. D.C. has allowed a league-high six goals this year.

GETTING DEFENSIVE

United has struggled to stop teams from scoring in its first two games this season:

- D.C.'s six goals allowed are tied for the worst total in MLS.
- United's goal differential of minus-three is second worst in the league, ahead of only Toronto.
- Last season, United's goal differential of plus-14 was best in MLS, and its 38 goals allowed was the league's third-best total.

though some obvious depth issues existed. Instead, the club revamped the attack through the acquisition of Brazilians Luciano Emilio and Fred and the trades involving Freddy Adu and Alecko Eskandarian. Initial Champions Cup games went well, but the results have been disastrous against MLS sides familiar

with United's weaknesses and the holes in its three-back alignment.

"We're not focusing on little things, and we're getting sloppy with everything we do. We're turning balls over in really bad spots and the league's getting to the point now where you turn the ball over there, they're going to punish you," goalkeeper Troy Perkins said.

United's game hinges on its ability to keep the ball and bring players into the attack. It's not equipped to handle quick counters, especially down the flanks, that expose a slower, spread-out back three. Soehn has deflected questions about shifting to a standard four-back alignment, but it is an option he will have to consider before United's next game on April 28 in Columbus.

The international transfer window has closed until the summer, meaning roster help must come through trade or the minor leagues.

"We're going to take two weeks, and we're going to fix it," Soehn promised. "Right now, we've forgotten what it takes to win games." BRIAN STRAUS

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Weekend Sports



Phillies starter Jamie Moyer, 44, took a two-hit shutout into the ninth inning against the Nationals on Thursday. Tom Gordon got the save in a 4-2 Philadelphia win.

Phillies' Moyer Mows Down Nats

44-year-old pitcher holds Nats to 4 hits in finale of short series

NATIONALS | Jamie Moyer and Aaron Rowand helped the Philadelphia Phillies give manager Charlie Manuel a victory.

Moyer, 44, took a two-hit shutout into the ninth inning, and Rowand hit his first homer of 2007, leading the slumping Phillies past the Washington Nationals 4-2 Thursday.

Tossing in the 60s and 70s mph — and, only occasionally, in the low 80s — Moyer (2-1) allowed a single in the second, another in the third, and nothing more until Ryan Zimmerman's double leading off the ninth.

Dmitri Young followed with

an RBI double, and that was it for Moyer.

Tom Gordon came on and made things interesting, hitting his first batter, then allowing a single that loaded the bases with no outs. Pinch-hitter Robert Fick's sacrifice fly made it 4-2, but Gordon secured his third save by getting Brian Schneider to ground out and striking out Chris Snelling.

"I am just happy that we won a ballgame," Gordon said.

Philadelphia, also won despite playing without reigning NL MVP Ryan Howard, who hurt his left leg during Wednesday night's 13-inning loss to Washington.

After Thursday's loss, the Nats became the first NL team to go through the first 16 games of a season without scoring in the first inning since the 1979 St. Louis Cardinals did it for the opening 17 games.

HOWARD FENDRICH (AP)

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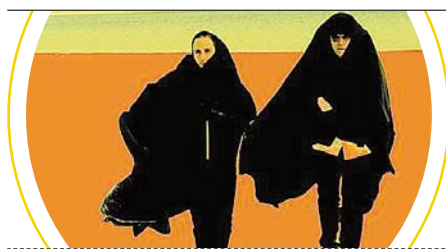
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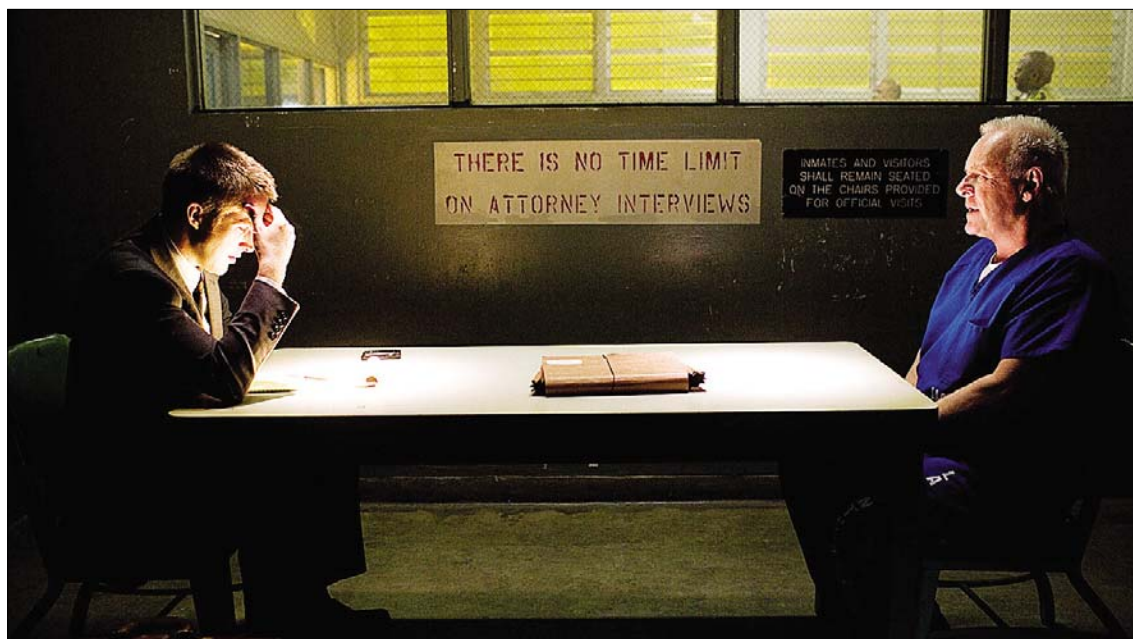




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Entertainment Weekend



THAT'S NOT JODY FOSTER ON THE LEFT: Ryan Gosling and Anthony Hopkins square off in the dynamic and lively "Fracture."

A Broken Man

'Fracture' is a stylish and dynamic take on the courtroom drama

FILM | We know you're thinking it. We were, too. So, we may as well just acknowledge it, get it out of the way and move on as a group.

Yes, Anthony Hopkins is indeed doing a version of his patented Hannibal Lecter shtick in "Fracture." But he does it so richly and it's still so entertaining, you may as well just

give in. Hopkins and co-star Ryan Gosling get lively, challenging material to work with. They get to needle each other, spar with each other and generally enjoy fantastically smart, zippy banter. Hopkins and Gosling don't even share that much screen time with each other, but when they do, it's exhilarating.

Gosling, the recent Oscar nominee for his powerful subtle work as a drug-addicted teacher in "Half Nelson," more than holds his own with such a formidable screen presence.

The difference in their demeanors — Hopkins quietly sadistic, Gosling buzzing with ambition — creates a really compelling dynamic. And while "Fracture" is suspenseful and darkly stylish, it also has an unexpectedly dry sense of humor.

Hopkins stars as wealthy L.A. aeronautical engineer Ted Crawford, who shoots his much younger wife, Jennifer (Embeth Davidtz), in the head after he catches her having an affair. We've watched him meticulously work through each step of

the crime, then calmly, confidently admit to committing it.

Why would he do that? To torment the lieutenant who's called to his house to negotiate with him — the same guy who happened to be having the affair with Ted's wife.

Looks like a pretty quick case for Gosling's character, prosecutor Willy Beachum, who's on the verge of leaving the district attorney for a high-paying corporate law gig. But Willy soon realizes that nothing turns out to be as easy as it initially seemed. Evidence disappears, the confession is tossed out, and Ted wants to represent himself in court. And so the sly Southern Beachum, who's skated his whole life on his looks, arrogance and charm, finds he actually has to work hard at something for once.

Ultimately, though, "Fracture" isn't so much about the case itself as it is about the way it changes Beachum. Will he develop a moral code and think of someone else besides himself for once? It's a legal drama that barely sets foot in the courtroom; it's more concerned with the journey its characters take.

Some plot points here and there don't quite click into place. One of them involves a romance between Willy and his new boss at the private firm, played by Rosamund Pike as an icy blonde in the Hitchcockian tradition.

Then there's a bigger, climactic twist that we won't give away. Whether or not you can catch the potential problem with it, Ted Crawford probably should have.

CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

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Buddy Flicks and British Wits

The comical 'Hot Fuzz' both satirizes and salutes cop movies

FILM | In "Hot Fuzz," Edgar Wright and Simon Pegg do for buddy-cop action tales what they did for zombie flicks with "Shaun of the Dead": Present a nice homage while tweaking the conventions and making jolly good fun of the

genre's clichés.

Though longer than it needs to be and a bit draggy early on, the film packs a lot of hearty laughs and a few real guffaws as a hot-shot London cop adjusts to life in a seemingly tranquil country town.

Director Wright and his co-writer and star Pegg again make great use of the latter's on-screen chemistry with "Shaun of the



WE KID BECAUSE WE LOVE: Simon Pegg both spoofs & snogs action films.

Dead" co-star Nick Frost. Pegg's the able London cop, exiled to a sleepy town where he partners with an action-movie fanatic (Frost) to uncover the truth behind a series of bizarre, gruesome deaths.

The action in the big shoot-'em-up finale is not terribly well done, but you're here more for the laughs, which the filmmakers definitely deliver. DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

I'm going to Filmfest DC on Sunday and will attend a screening near the Verizon Center. The movie is French and I was hoping to find a bistro nearby.

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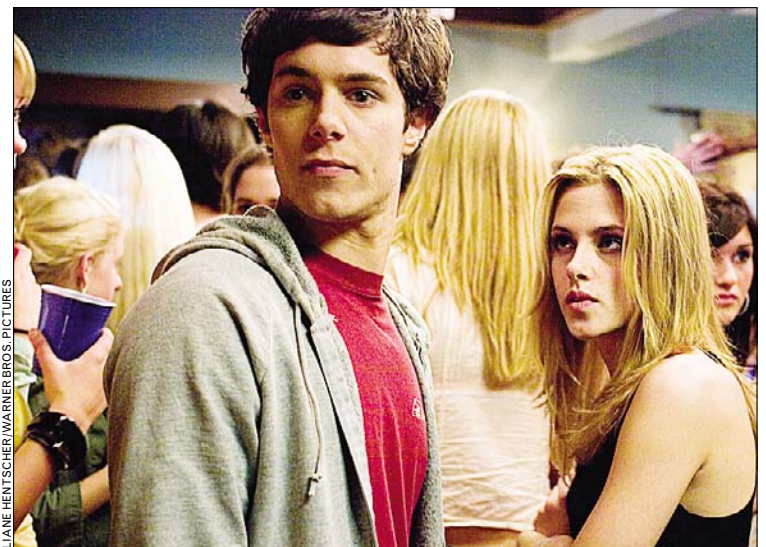
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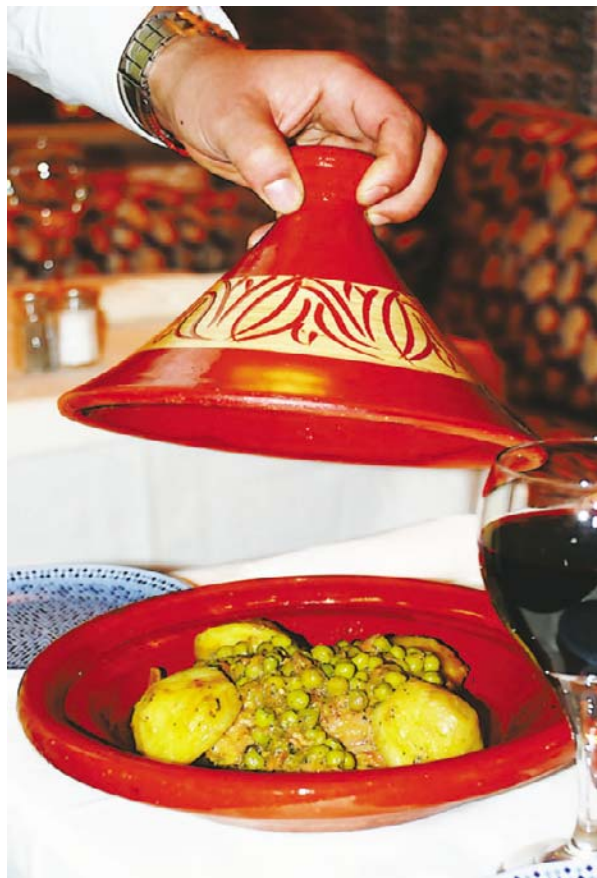


Adam Brody and Kristen Stewart are bright spots in the otherwise dreary "Women."

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'Land of Women' skips all subtlety for mawkish explanation

FILM | Adam Brody graduates from "The O.C." and proves he can carry a film — or at least struggle to carry a film even when it descends into sudsy melodrama — with "In the Land of Women."

With his feature debut, writer-director Jonathan Kasdan spells everything out about how the characters feel and how we should feel about them. He bangs us over the head with sentimental platitudes about love and loyalty and leaves nothing open for the audience's interpretation.

He's lucky that his actors, Brody and Kristen Stewart, remain likable nonetheless.

Brody stars as Carter Webb, a lovelorn L.A. writer who flees for the safety and comfort of suburban Michigan after his Penelope Cruz-style, model-actress girlfriend (Elena Anaya) dumps him.

He moves in with his aging, ailing grandmother (Olympia Dukakis) but ends up spending more time with the women across the street: intriguing housewife Sarah (Meg Ryan) and her teenage daughter,

Lucy (Stewart).

The two are at ages at which they are constantly at odds with each other, but both find themselves drawn to this boyishly handsome, lanky young man who's moved into their idyllically serene neighborhood.

Sarah and Carter enjoy long afternoon walks in which they talk in-depth about their problems, their fears, their lives; at night, Lucy takes Carter to the mall, the football field, a high school party, all to help him gather fodder for the John Hughes-style screenplay he's writing.

Also tagging along is Lucy's younger sister, Paige (Makenzie Vega), whose initial precociousness gives way to sadness and vulnerability when things get serious.

Not to give too much away, but ... someone is sick, someone is having an affair, someone has a secret to divulge and someone dies.

A lot happens over a very short period of time in "In the Land of Women." But it feels more like Kasdan has piled one event on top of another on top of another, as opposed to building a believable story arc that gains momentum and leads to a climax that engages us.

CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)



Polling for Art

'The TV Set' is a smart, funny look at commerce & creation

FILM | How's this for meta? The comedy "The TV Set," about the making of a television pilot, feels like an actual television pilot — for a good show.

While it doesn't break new ground about the entertainment industry, it has an irresistible absurdist vibe, a dryly observant sense of humor that makes it — to borrow the vernacular — must-see.

After a series of flops ("Trust the Man," "House of D"), David Duchovny returns to reliable form as likable everyman Mike Klein, a longtime writer trying to get his coming-home dramedy, "The Wexler Chronicles," on the fall schedule.

Mike drew from his brother's suicide for inspiration, a plot point that network president Lenny (Sigourney Weaver) thinks is too depressing — and 82 percent of viewers polled agree. Lenny is also emboldened of late by the success of the network's bonanza reality program. And so begins a series of agonizing yet very funny negotiations over casting, dialogue, tone and camera angles, which makes you wonder how anything ever gets on the air.



X-MAN: David Duchovny finally finds a film role that won't stink up the theaters.

Mike finds he must compromise on every detail that matters to him, including who should play the main character, Rob Wexler. He prefers a more understated, theater-trained performer; the suits go for the obnoxiously broad Zach Harper, played by Fran Kranz, who gets some of the biggest laughs simply by being so cringe-inducing.

At first, it seems Mike has a steadfast supporter in Richard (Ioan Gruffudd), an executive who's recently been lured from the BBC for his impeccable taste. But then again, everything in "The TV Set" is fluid.

In a clever touch, several tele-

vision character actors co-star, including Justine Bateman as Mike's pregnant wife; Judy Greer as his manager, who constantly fudges the truth to smooth things over; Andrea Martin as the surly wardrobe maven; and Willie Garson as a wannabe auteur director.

"The TV Set" has insightful things to say about the conflict between art and commerce, and while it will keep you laughing throughout, it also reinforces a bleak reality. Crap begets crap, which has been scientifically proven by a carefully chosen cross-section of the lowest common denominator. **CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)**

FILM | ACTS OF DECEPTION



SPY GAMES: Director Paul Verhoeven piles on the action in "Black Book," a story of a beautiful Jewish spy infiltrating the highest echelons of Nazidom. It appears to be an old-fashioned World War II movie, but that's a ruse. "Black Book" is as subversive as it is traditional, both enamored and contemptuous of conventional notions of heroism. (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

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MUST LOVE DOGS: Molly Shannon transcends her "SNL" past for a dramatic gem.

Love With Conditions

Molly Shannon shines in an atypical take on a typical romance flick

FILM | "Year of the Dog" would appear to have all the trappings of a typical romantic comedy, in which our underdog heroine bursts from her shell and finds love, friendship and herself in the process.

While all that does indeed happen, it does so through the uniquely skewed prism of Mike White, who previously wrote the darkly intriguing "Chuck & Buck" and the slyly funny "The Good Girl" and directs here for the first time.

What could have been predictable is instead refreshing. And what could have been a feel-good performance from Molly Shannon is instead delicate and poignant, and an unexpected display of dramatic mastery from an actress who's made her name with comedy.

The "Saturday Night Live" alumna stars as Peggy Spade, a mouse of a secretary whose life changes completely after the death of her beloved beagle, Pencil. White really gets the culture of dog people and doesn't merely cut away to the canines looking cute for a cheap laugh, another romantic comedy staple. She is not his owner and he is not her pet — they're friends and loyal

companions, and White depicts the moment she finds him collapsed on the ground with simple, palpable anguish. (Bring tissue.)

It's not that Peggy is a shy person. But Peggy hasn't been living her life for herself, for her own happiness. And it's only when her warm, furry security blanket is taken from her that she tries to begin doing that. Shannon is funny and sad and ultimately heartbreaking in the role.

White has crafted a complex character study, and in Peggy, Shannon has created someone who's not really a geek but also isn't all that comfortable in her own skin either.

She meets two different men, one who's obviously a bad fit for her and one who seems right, a fundamental tenet of the genre. Nevertheless, her post-Pencil interactions with these people set her on a path that she — and we — might never have expected.

The main problem with "Year of the Dog" is its pacing. White shows a soft touch with his own material, which works in the more intimate, quiet moments but, applied throughout, tends to drain the film of any sense of momentum or drive. It's not a huge complaint about a first-time filmmaker; it's just what keeps a good film from being great. **CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)**



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300 (R, 105 minutes) This cartoonified version of a hard day's work on the coast of Greece, where 300 Spartans stood against a much larger horde of Persians, fails to offer any theories of Spartan greatness. The movie makes no arguments at all; it's entirely an overblown visual document with an IQ in the lower 20s. The action is all showy and stylized, never quite realistic. Director Zack Snyder overdoes the slow motion until it becomes comic, and the whole package aestheticizes violence, leaching its meaning, distancing us. (SH)

AFTER THE WEDDING (R, 120 minutes) This Danish film, nominated for a Best Foreign Language Film Oscar earlier this year, cuts to the core of who we are, who we belong to and where we come from. It's the story of Jacob (Mads Mikkelsen), the director of an orphanage in Mumbai, and Jorgen (Rolf Lassgard), a Danish benefactor who offers to donate millions to the home, provided that Jacob leaves his beloved kids to administer the orphanage from Denmark. The stalemate between Jacob and Jorgen is just a prelude to more intriguing and fatalistic



MORE THAN MEETS THE EYES: Shia "Indiana Jones" LaBeouf showed he can open a film with the hit thriller "Disturbia."

developments that draw them together. It is finely textured drama, thanks to the performers, who make their characters so persuasive and three-dimensional we're too mesmerized to care about the story's more overwrought or histrionic passages. (DT)

AQUA TEEN HUNGER FORCE COLON MOVIE FILM FOR THEATERS (R, 87 minutes) This movie, in which a pack of french fries, a wad of ground beef and a milkshake save the world — or at least, New Jersey — from a psychotic giant exercise machine built 70,000 years ago by

aliens, is a work of either a profoundly transgressive genius or a goofball high on Pez and patio sealant. The work of Matt Maiellaro and Dave Willis is an outgrowth of their television show on the Cartoon Network. The animated 87 minutes feel pretty much beyond description; only the film's repercussions can be charted, and they include spastic laughter, drool collecting in your lap, defibrillation, oxygen debt, panic attacks and loss of bodily fluids, until, abruptly, about minute 72, when everything is replaced by tedium, though hilarity returns in the last minute with the

line, "I am your mother, a nine-layer bean burrito." (SH)

ARE WE DONE YET? (PG, 87 minutes) Following up on his execrable 2005 semi-hit "Are We There Yet?," Ice Cube once again turns the world off with a scowl in this remake of the classic 1948 Cary Grant comedy "Mr. Blandings Builds His Dream House." Cube's Nick Persons, having survived a cross-country road trip with his girlfriend, Suzanne (Nia Long), and her two brats (Aleisha Allen and Philip Bolden), has married Suzanne. She announces she's pregnant

— with twins. Nick decides to move his burgeoning family to a huge money pit outside Portland, Ore. What, you've seen "The Money Pit"? And "Mr. Blandings"? Then you've seen this movie, whose only additions are a talking raccoon, a manic real estate agent/contractor and a subplot involving sturgeon. (AH)

AVENUE MONTAIGNE (R, 100 minutes) This delicately charming fable set in Paris offers the kind of experience we secretly crave when we visit any great city: meaningful encounters with its people. At the center is Jessica (an impishly radiant Cécile De France), a sweetheated gamine from the provinces who has just arrived in the capital. To this country girl, Paris is the city of luxury, a picture-postcard world of hotels, expensive restaurants and fine living. This vicarious sojourn in Paris leaves us with souvenirs that few real trips could ever produce. (DT)

BLADES OF GLORY (PG-13, 93 minutes) Will Ferrell and Jon Heder sashay into the graceful world of figure skating, playing two competitors who have been banned from the rink and learn that the only loophole that might permit them back onto the ice is to skate as a pairs team. Lumbering, hairy Ferrell plays the overcompensating Chazz Michael Michaels. Heder plays Jimmy MacElroy, sligher, wispiet, more graceful, more girly. The endless hilarity is visual: those awkward male bodies thrown into a gossamer flutter of swan-

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like routines, clumsily syncopating themselves to the fantasy that they are light and graceful when, as all can see and laugh at, they are hopeless, clueless and graceless. To see seemingly regular guys utterly stripped of dignity and defense is cruel enough, but crueler still is the laughter that you cannot seem to stop from rupturing your lungs and aorta. (SH)

BOY CULTURE (Unrated, 88 minutes) The short film "Rick & Steve: The Happiest Gay Couple in All the World" — which is cast to amusing effect with Lego people doing things that undoubtedly must horrify the Lego company — was enjoyable, and the prospect of seeing a feature film by director Q. Allan Brocka seemed promising. But this movie, based on a 1995 novel by Matthew Rettenmund, feels about as fresh as such an artifact of mercurial gay culture could. It chronicles the romantic awakening of a Seattle prostitute identified as X (Derek Magyar). What X mostly desires is the financial indepen-

dence and emotional distance his career helps him maintain. If anything about this scenario sounds remotely interesting, it's not. Opportunities for dramatic tension, comedic effect, erotic energy, even just flat-out weirdness — all are squandered in a haze of blandness.

(JONATHAN PADGET)

BREACH (PG-13, 110 minutes) This film examines in microscopic detail the endgame of the manhunt for FBI mole Robert Hanssen, who pleaded guilty in 2001 to spying for Russia. The acting is superb, particularly from the three principals: Ryan Phillippe as O'Neill, Chris Cooper as Hanssen and the great Laura Linney as Kate Burroughs, O'Neill's supervisor in the secret operation. (SH)

BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG, 96 minutes) This beloved children's book has not just survived but thrived in its adaptation to the screen, its delicate combination of coming-of-age angst, tragedy and fantasy handled with assurance and taste by first-time live-action director Gabor Csupo. Audiences should be prepared for a major tragedy that strikes in the third act; the film winds up being a lesson, not just in love but in loss. But



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Pretty Vacant

"VACANCY" IS THE kind of movie that leaves you feeling icky all over afterward — grimy and sickened and desperately in need of a shower. Yes, it is a horror flick and so, of course, it's supposed to be violent. But the way in which it gets off on the violence is especially distasteful and, frankly, misogynistic. The premise is a paranoid amalgamation of small-town stereotypes and urban legends. Bickering husband and wife David and Amy Fox (Luke Wilson and Kate Beckinsale) take a shortcut during an all-night road trip and wind up at a middle-of-nowhere motel, where the only other person around is the creepy night manager (Frank Whaley). In no time, they realize the videos left on top of the TV are graphic snuff films that were shot right in their run-down room — and that if they don't work together and escape, they'll be the next victims. CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

mostly the former, as Jess experiences for the first time that true love means building a world together. (AH)

DISTURBIA (PG-13, 104 minutes) The much-maligned suburbs take another hit on the big screen. Shia LaBeouf plays Kale, a young man under house arrest for punching out his high school Spanish teacher. The teach sort of had it coming, having invoked the memory of Kale's dad, who died in a car accident. Things get mighty boring at home, and Kale picks up binoculars to check in on his neighbors. His subjects include the adulterous businessman across the street, porn-watching adolescents next door and a hot new neighbor (Sarah Roemer). But it's that quiet guy in the blue house (David Morse) who really intrigues Kale. Despite going down a seemingly predictable road, the movie takes enough turns to keep you guessing. The ending, though, drags, and the film quickly shifts from a clever homage to "Rear Window" to a bad parody of "The Silence of the Lambs." (JOHN MAYNARD)

FIREHOUSE DOG (PG, 111 minutes) Fire captain Connor Fahey (Bruce Greenwood) is recovering from the

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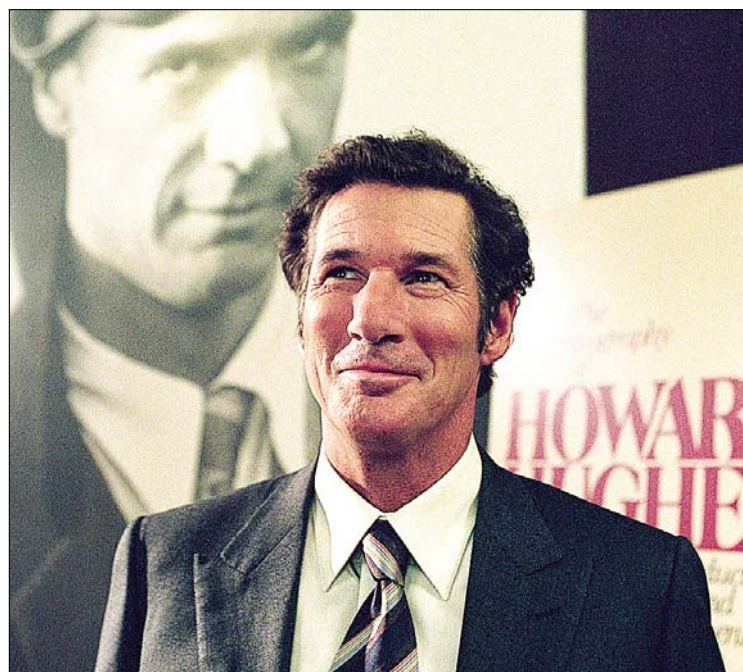
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morale-shattering loss of his brother, another firefighter. He has a son named Shane (Josh Hutcherson), also bummed by his uncle's death (but for a different reason). One day, into Shane's life comes some kind of spiffy bounder. The mutt is Rxxxx the wonder dog, the big Hollywood star who has been accidentally separated from his posh celeb's life. It doesn't take Shane long to figure out that he has the world's best firehouse dog: fast, smart, brave, loyal. The movie is best in depicting firehouse culture, and the movie has a couple of nice saves, always good for a tear or two. (SH)

GRINDHOUSE (R, 191 minutes) What truly grinds in this film, a Quentin Tarantino-Robert Rodriguez double feature, is your butt against the seat. Checking in at more than three hours, it's one grand self-indulgence calibrated exquisitely for an audience that pines for the gory double-feature pleasures of movie forms that petered out in the early '70s. That audience can be counted: two. Named Tarantino and

Rodriguez. The films (Rodriguez directed the first, "Planet Terror," and Tarantino the second, "Death Proof") are bloody, stupid and buoyant in a kind of infantile way, celebrating mayhem, flesh and gore. (SH)

THE HILLS HAVE EYES 2 (R, 89 minutes) This is strictly a cash-in quickie that follows up the unusually vivid and compelling original remake (of a much earlier film) of a year ago. That 2006 variant, directed by French mad genius Alexandre Aja, was brisk, inventive, vivid, funny and frightening, and made a lot of bucks. This one, directed by Martin Weisz, is lazy, dull, unbelievable and dreary. Instead of a family at risk, Weisz deploys a National Guard squad to the rocky hills and tunnels of "Area 16" in the Southwest and follows as the inexperienced citizen soldiers are mowed down by guys in bad makeup jobs. Actually, it feels more like a follow-up to another excellent horror film, "The Descent," in that much of the action takes place in tunnels and caves with mutants popping out of crevices or shadows to eat and drink poor Mary. The cast is unknown and uninteresting. It's just lazy and formulaic. (SH)



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THE HOAX (R, 116 minutes) This film is based on the true story of Clifford Irving, whose "authorized autobiography" of

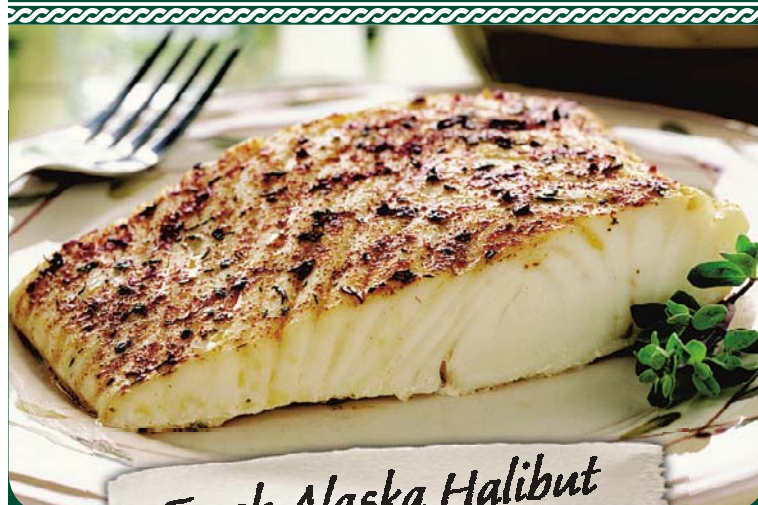
reclusive billionaire Howard Hughes in the early 1970s was exposed as a fake. As the movie tells it, Irving (Richard Gere) was an opportunist, an adulterer and a scoundrel, with mounting bills and the

ill-advised chutzpah to fool McGraw-Hill into giving him a million dollars for an empty promise. It's too bad the pristine simplicity of Irving's greed is not enough to galvanize the movie. At first, we're intrigued by how far Irving will take his ruse, but we never establish an emotional connection with him. Even though we're caught up in his derring-do as he beguiles entire meeting rooms of jaded publishers and editors, we're kept at a dissatisfying distance from Irving and the movie. (DT)

THE HOST (Unrated, 119 minutes) This Korean film has such a wide range of attributes—it's a comedy, it's a vivid evocation of a dysfunctional family that comes together in crisis, it's a wondrous homage to the courage of children, it's a biting critique of the government—that it's hard to recall that it's first and foremost a monster movie—an old-fashioned monster movie with a heart. (SH)

IN THE PIT (Unrated, 84 minutes) Juan Carlos Rufo's documentary about the massive construction project that will put a freeway over parts of Mexico City. Rufo focuses on a handful of workers

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to illustrate the plight of all. (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

INTO GREAT SILENCE (Unrated, 162 minutes) At first, the silence feels imposing as we watch this documentary and the monks of the Grand Chartreuse monastery praying, reading the Bible or simply sitting in quiet contemplation. But as we become acclimated to this muted atmosphere, something extraordinary happens: Our senses sharpen. The whispering of snow, the clearing of a throat

and the clanging of a bell that summons the Carthusians to prayer reach our ears with a resounding purity. We may not experience their inner glories, but when we hear the monks' Gregorian chants, it's as though we have slipped into the back pews of Chartreuse. By luring us into their hushed world, filmmaker Philip Groening subtly provokes us into an active state of observation. It's hard to recall a similar documentary that brings viewers so palpably close to that sacred experience. (DT)

JOURNEY FROM THE FALL (R, 135 minutes) This film has been called the Vietnamese "Schindler's List," in that it documents a harrowing reality that

befell a people. A family — the father a soldier in South Vietnam's long and losing war against the North Vietnamese and the Viet Cong — wakes up one bitter morning to find the Americans gone and the new rulers making arrests. Father is sent to a reeducation camp, which is a pretty term for a concentration camp, and mother, wife and children are consigned to a slum. The movie, written and directed by Ham Tran and featuring amateur actors who went through all this, demonstrates the unquenchable human need for freedom as the family attempts separate escapes. A Hollywood version would conjure a nice, happy ending, but there are no happy endings. It's a

tough sit, but its lessons shouldn't be forgotten. (SH)

THE LAST MIMZY (PG, 90 minutes) This movie is about the escalating adventures of two Seattle children who discover a mysterious black cube that proves to be a Pandora's box of scary dimension. Unfortunately, it triggers more intriguing ideas than it has the storytelling acumen to consolidate. When Noah Wilder (Chris O'Neil) and younger sister Emma (Rhiannon Leigh Wryn) open the box, out come various objects, including a shell encrusted with something crystalline, a square piece of glass with strange symbols and a stuffed bunny Emma immediately identifies as Mimzy. The objects

afford both children extraordinary powers. Based on Lewis Padgett's short story, it references a confusing array of New Age and science-fiction ideas; it's hard to get a bead on what we're watching. The best element is a subplot involving Noah's spiritually obsessed teacher (Rainn Wilson) and his wacky girlfriend (Kathryn Hahn), whose bumbling eccentricities give the movie an emotional liveliness it otherwise lacks. (DT)

THE LIVES OF OTHERS (R, 137 minutes) This German movie begins in 1984, when the secret police, or Stasi, routinely bugged, tailed and intimidated its citizens. Plotted as tautly as a cop procedural but playing more like a modern allegory, this film personalizes its Orwellian world through the eyes of Gerd Wiesler (Ulrich Muehe), a frosty Stasi officer. To watch this film is not just to enjoy a fabulously constructed timepiece; it's to appreciate a deft cautionary tale. (DT)

THE LOOKOUT (R, 99 minutes) Former "3rd Rock From the Sun" cast member Joseph Gordon-Levitt made audiences sit up and take notice a few years ago when he made a startling star turn in the coming-of-age drama "Mysterious Skin." He's still good here, even if the film itself is a relatively trivial piece of pseudo-arty pulp. It's a heist flick with

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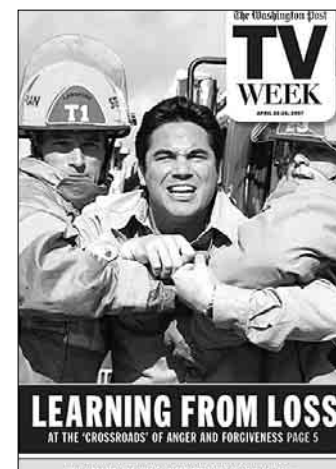
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a twist: Gordon-Levitt plays former high school jock Chris Pratt, who is recovering from a serious brain injury. Trying to put his life back together, he's working as a janitor in a rural bank that happens to be the target of a bunch of ne'er-do-wells. The dour, downbeat story eventually spirals into grisly Grand Guignol and contrivance. Still, Gordon-Levitt is superb, and Jeff Daniels delivers a wry and wily performance as Pratt's blind roommate. (AH)

MEET THE ROBINSONS (G, 92 minutes) This animated feature (showing in 3-D in select theaters) is the story of an orphan named Lewis (voiced by Daniel Hansen and Jordan Fry) who yearns to be an inventor and is whisked into a futuristic world by a kid named Wilbur (Wesley Singerman). At first, it seems to be one of those founding dramas that perpetuates the most unfortunate myths about adoption. But everything—including that issue—turns out OK in the end, as director Stephen J. Anderson not only creates a visually arresting version of the future but a terrific story as well. The visuals are dominated by bright reds and turquoise, and the seeming cast of thousands includes a band of jazz-playing frogs. (AH)

MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG-13, 100 minutes) The setup of this movie is cleverly simple. Hugh Grant, as one Alex Fletcher, is one-half of a pop group of '80s fame, the unsuccessful half. Enter cute Sophie Fisher (Drew Barrymore). She's here to water the plants, here being his apartment, while he is in turmoil with a snarky young lyricist. The issue is that Alex has been asked by a New Age pop sensation to come up with a song for her video; it could be his ticket back to the bigs, but he has to do it by Friday, and working with this rude kid doesn't seem to be getting anyone anywhere. So why is the girl watering the plants coming up with better lines? Soon an extremely awkward partnership is born. Yes, Sophie and Alex fall in love, and each of the performers has an undeniable adorability factor, but most of the issues are professional. I don't think the ending is up to the rest of the movie, but Grant and Barrymore are great together, and the movie has both zing and song. (SH)

THE NAMESAKE (PG-13, 117 minutes) This film begins in the late 1970s on a train to Calcutta when a young man, Ashoke Ganguli (Irfan Khan), meets a passenger, who encourages him to see the world. It is the combination of this meeting, the calamitous event that fol-

lows and the short story he is reading at the time that sets Ashoke's future. After marrying Ashima (Tabu), he immigrates to America and starts a new life. Like the best-selling novel it's based on, this movie chronicles two generations of an immigrant family with compelling flow. Indian director Mira Nair and screenwriting partner Sooni Taraporevala do an exemplary job of telescoping the book's extensive narrative into a two-hour experience. Although we miss some of the finer details that made Jhumpa Lahiri's book so meaningful, we're moved by the movie's themes of cultural displacement and the power of chance. (DT)

PATHFINDER (R, 100 minutes) The time is roughly 500 years before the arrival of Columbus on what would become North American shores. The setting is therefore the de rigueur idealization of pre-Columbian America as some kind of paradise. Enter the Vikings in their long ships, with their iron swords and arrowheads, their forged spears and their unquenchable zeal for slaughter. "Ho, ho, ho," they laugh, confident of their destiny. Did I tell you? Almost no dialogue. Although the record shows that American Indians were extremely adaptable warriors, here they never get it, and it falls to their white savior (who was raised in the tribe) to outfight the Vikings. Was this really necessary? Anyway, the movie really decodes into head-and-limb-lopping against a fairytale backdrop of a story that makes "Conan the Barbarian" seem like Dostoyevsky in its complexity. (SH)

PERFECT STRANGER (R, 110 minutes) Halle Berry plays a New York reporter who specializes in getting the goods. Quickly enough, Berry's Rowena is approached by an old friend named Grace (Nicki Aycox), who dumps a load of woe on her. Grace began an illicit relationship with a prominent ad exec who is now trying to dump her. She hopes that Rowena will help her in a revenge plot. She turns over a batch of documents and then conveniently is found dead. Suddenly, Rowena is engaged at the thought of bringing down another fat cat. The movie is just another thriller in town for a few desultory weeks until it heads off to a mild afterlife on DVD and then richly deserved oblivion. (SH)

PREMONITION (PG-13, 96 minutes) Sandra Bullock plays Linda Hanson, whose perfect life is suddenly thrown out of whack when she's told her husband has died in a car crash—only to have him reappear the next day. Linda then embarks on the most scrambled week ever, as Monday and Thursday and Tuesday and Friday rearrange themselves in a Dali-like dreamscape of disasters, revelations and Linda's fran-



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FILMFEST DC OPENED on Thursday, and through April 19 it will present more than 100 feature premieres, restored classics and special events. One of the most anticipated flicks is Hal Hartley's "Fay Grim," starring Parker Posey. Fay is a single mom, and she's afraid her 14-year-old son, Ned, will grow up to be like his father, Henry (from Hartley's 1989 film "Henry Fool"), who has been missing for seven years. But Henry was not the man he appeared to be, and a CIA operative asks Fay to travel to Paris to retrieve Henry's property. Everything soon becomes a sprawling con game of international espionage. For the full listing of Filmfest movies, visit filmfestdc.org. (EXPRESS)

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tic attempts to rewrite the future (or is it the past?). Director Mennan Yapo does a good job keeping the incoherence coherent and capturing what's at the root of Linda's grief, and Bullock recalls her performance in "Crash" in a convincing serious turn. But the movie fatally falters in its last moments, with a happy-sad payoff that will leave audiences groaning. (AH)

PRIDE (PG, 104 minutes) This film follows an African-American swim team's bid for medals and self-respect. We are in Philadelphia as Jim Ellis (Terrence Howard), a talented swimmer, accepts the only job he can as a black coach in the mid-1970s: at a run-down sports center in a poor neighborhood. The Marcus Foster Recreation Center has become the seedy habitat of one hermetic janitor (Bernie Mac), a drug dealer and a group of troubled teens that uses the basketball court. And nobody's using the indoor pool. Jim knows a community (and a personal) opportunity when he sees one. After coaxing those basketballers into the water, he builds a gang of Philly boys into a team good enough to face Main Line's finest. The movie, inspired by the true story of Ellis, has Hollywood formula practically stitched to its Speedo. But the characters and the

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actors who play them are so captivating, we're too entertained and charmed to notice. (DT)

THE REAPING (R, 96 minutes) When rivers turn red, locusts swarm and cows shrivel into scorched beef, you know that either Al Gore was right or you're watching another bad supernatural thriller. In this case, you are suffering through this pretentious scarefest. Frogs, maggots and other familiar pestilences from the book of Exodus are terrorizing a small Louisianatown. We are supposed to decipher these strange phenomena through a frenzied barrage of freaky images, obvious computer-generated effects and dizzying editing. But the script only follows the clichés of the genre. (DT)

REDLINE (PG-13, 95 minutes) Exotic cars race and crash in this action film, directed by Andy Cheng.

REIGN OVER ME (R, 124 minutes) This comedy-drama stars Adam Sandler as a man who was widowed Sept. 11, 2001, and still hasn't healed, and it is much better than its main elements would immediately suggest, thanks largely to Don Cheadle in yet another note-perfect performance. As Alan Johnson — a dentist who feels



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confined by his gorgeous wife (Jada Pinkett Smith) and family — Cheadle acts as genial, soft-spoken ballast to Sandler's Charlie Fineman, who has become stuck like a needle on one of his vinyl records, in a groove of isolated, unhinged denial. Sandler is a revelation, and even when the guy-bonding and 1970s pop nostalgia threaten to overplay the sentimentality, the movie resists cheesy uplift. (AH)

SHOOTER (R, 126 minutes) This film, based on a novel by Washington Post film critic Stephen Hunter, posits Mark Wahlberg as sniper Bob Lee Swagger, who begins the picture enmeshed in a military cock-up in Ethiopia. Three years later, nicely retired to the western woods

with his dog and a rustic lodge, Swagger is called back into active duty to investigate the most likely spot for an assassination plot against the president. It turns out to be a setup, during which an Ethiopian archbishop is assassinated instead of the president. Why would anybody want to assassinate an Ethiopian archbishop? Therein lies our tale. A wounded Swagger is tagged as the assassin, and he manages to survive and triumph despite the best efforts of the FBI. It's a story that can be transplanted from genre to genre, because we never grow tired of it, which is to say that it fits snugly into the paranoid drift of American movies, and the value we place on one honest man with a gun. (SCOTT EYMAN)

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SLOW BURN (R, 93 minutes) Ray Liotta looks more drained than ever as an ambitious big-city district attorney on the brink of taking down a major drug lord. It's looking good until his top prosecutor—and lover (a pouty Jolene Blalock)—kills a man (Mekhi Phifer) who was either an assailant or her man on the side. This is one of the countless questions the film raises (but doesn't always answer) in this clunkily written, flashback-ridden mess that throws police corruption, gentrification and interracial dating into the mix. It also spends way too much time in the interrogation room and features an embarrassing sex scene with Liotta and Blalock—both wearing masks. Even nice performances by a cool LL Cool J (as a mystery man) and a jittery Taye Diggs

(another mystery man!) can't save this film. (JM)

TMNT (PG, 90 minutes) This is the fourth in a series chronicling the adventures of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, who live under the streets of New York and come out to fight for truth, justice and pizza by night, but it's the first to arrive in complete computer-generated imagery. That's not bad, that's good: Seeing actual humans in the roles of mutated terrapins with samurai swords and burglar masks was too much of a stretch. It's a far grittier, grungier kind of New York than in the previous films, and the detail has been worked out to a thoroughly impressive degree. Only on one issue does the movie flop: its plot. Or rather its plots, all 16. The upshot is that the film is technically superb and quite enjoyable. (SH)

WILD HOGS (PG-13, 105 minutes) This movie, starring John Travolta, William H.



DOUG CURRAN

LOOK CLOSELY FOR THE NISSAN BRANDING ON HIS BACK: Ghost (Karl Urban) wages a one-man, shirtless-in-winter war against the Vikings in "Pathfinder."

Macy, Martin Lawrence and Tim Allen, is another tale of almost-old men feeling so out of sorts that only a road trip can help. The boys decide to make that trip on that road, courtesy of some Milwaukee iron. Calling themselves the Wild Hogs, the four Cincinnatians set out to recover whatever it is they lost. But the movie

never rises to the level of the professional, much less the comic. The gags are witless and surprisingly gross. (SH)

THE WIND THAT SHAKES THE BARLEY (Unrated, 127 minutes) This film, set far outside Dublin in the 1920s, recounts the escalating violence between the IRA squaddies and the Black and Tans,

the brutal, repressive domestic police force the British put in place to put the former down. We begin with the younger brother, Damien (Cillian Murphy), sick and tired of the strife, trying to get out and go to Britain. On his last day in the auld sod, however, Damien and his buds are set upon by a group of Tans, and bullying soon becomes murder, as a young boy is shot for refusing to speak English. Director Ken Loach is full of astonishments. He stages raid and counter-raid, big gunfight and small, with stunning dynamism. He's as fluent as any Hollywood pro who has been fighting war on celluloid for a couple of decades. (SH)



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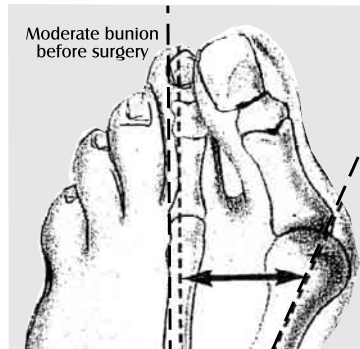
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PATHFINDER (R) / (11:30 @ \$5), 2:05, 4:50, 7:40, 10:20
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REDLINE (PG13) 12:20, 2:55, 5:25, 7:55, 10:25

SLOW BURN (R) / 7:35, 9:55, 12:15
GRINDHOUSE (R) (10:10 @ \$5), 2:10, 8:10, 10:10

THE REAPING (R) 12:25, 3:10, 5:50, 8:15, 10:40
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BLADES OF GLORY (PG13) (10:05 @ \$5), 12:35, 3:05, 5:35, 7:20, 8:05, 9:40, 10:35, 12:05

MEET THE ROBINSONS (G) (11:15 @ \$5), 2:00, 4:35
PRIDE (PG) 12:10, 2:40, 5:20

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VACANCY (R) / 12:15, 2:35, 4:50, 7:15, 9:35, 12:00
DISTURBIA (PG13) / 1:35, 4:10, 6:45, 9:25, 12:05

THE HOAX (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 10:15
PATHFINDER (R) / 12:40, 3:10, 5:40, 8:10, 10:35

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GRINDHOUSE (R) 2:50, 6:30, 10:50

THE REAPING (R) 12:20 PM
BLADES OF GLORY (PG13) 12:05, 2:15, 4:35, 7:00, 9:30, 11:55

SHOOTER (R) 1:25, 7:05
300 (R) 4:20, 10:10

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YEAR OF THE DOG (PG13) / 12:00, 2:25, 4:55, 7:30, 10:05
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IN THE LAND OF WOMEN (PG13) / 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00

VACANCY (R) / 1:00, 3:15, 5:35, 7:55, 10:10
DISTURBIA (PG13) / 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15

PATHFINDER (R) / 12:00, 2:20, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00
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THE REAPING (R) 8:10, 10:30
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FIREHOUSE DOG (PG) 12:30, 3:00, 5:40
BLADES OF GLORY (PG13) 1:00, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:30

MEET THE ROBINSONS (G) 1:45, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30
300 (R) 4:20, 10:10

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HOT FUZZ (R) / (10:35 @ \$5), 1:30, 4:20, 7:15, 10:05

IN THE LAND OF WOMEN (PG13) / (10:20 @ \$5), 12:50, 3:25, 5:50, 8:20, 11:00
VACANCY (R) / (10:00 @ \$5), 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15

DISTURBIA (PG13) / (10:15 @ \$5), 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:50
DISTURBIA (PG13) / (10:15 @ \$5), 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:50

THE HOAX (R) (11:15 @ \$5), 2:00, 4:40, 7:30, 10:15
PATHFINDER (R) / (11:00 @ \$5), 1:35, 4:15, 7:20, 10:00

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REDLINE (PG13) / (10:10 @ \$5), 12:40, 3:10, 5:35, 8:00, 10:30

SLOW BURN (R) / (10:25 @ \$5), 12:50, 3:10, 5:45, 8:15, 10:40
GRINDHOUSE (R) (10:00 @ \$5), 1:50, 5:45, 9:40

THE REAPING (R) 8:20, 8:45, 11:05
ARE WE DONE YET? (PG) (10:15 @ \$5), 12:35, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 9:55

FIREHOUSE DOG (PG) (10:25 @ \$5), 1:05, 3:40
BLADES OF GLORY (PG13) (11:20 @ \$5), 1:45, 4:10, 7:05, 9:30

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THE NAMESAKE (PG13) (11:10 @ \$5), 1:50, 4:40, 7:25, 10:20

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HOT FUZZ (R) / (10:40 @ \$5), 1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 9:55

IN THE LAND OF WOMEN (PG13) / (11:25 @ \$5), 2:05, 4:30, 7:05, 9:45
VACANCY (R) / (10:10 @ \$5), 12:25, 2:45, 5:05, 7:20, 9:35

DISTURBIA (PG13) / (10:05 @ \$5), 12:35, 3:10, 5:40, 8:20, 10:50
THE HOAX (R) (11:00 @ \$5), 1:45, 4:40, 7:45, 10:30

PATHFINDER (R) / (10:20 @ \$5), 12:40, 3:05, 5:30, 8:05, 10:35
PERFECT STRANGER (R) / (11:50 @ \$5), 2:35, 5:10, 7:50, 10:25

PERFECT STRANGER (R) / (11:50 @ \$5), 2:35, 5:10, 7:50, 10:25
REDLINE (PG13) 7:55, 10:15

SLOW BURN (R) / 9:40 PM
GRINDHOUSE (R) 12:00, 4:00, 8:00

THE REAPING (R) 12:10, 2:55, 5:35, 8:10, 10:45
ARE WE DONE YET? (PG) (11:15 @ \$5), 1:50, 4:25, 7:00, 9:30

FIREHOUSE DOG (PG) 12:05, 2:40, 5:20
BLADES OF GLORY (PG13) (10:00 @ \$5), 12:15, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:50

SHOOTER (R) 7:15, 10:00
TMNT (PG) (10:25 @ \$5), 12:50, 3:00, 5:15, 7:25

PREMONITION (PG13) (11:45 @ \$5), 2:10, 4:45, 3:00 (R) (11:55 @ \$5), 2:35, 5:10, 7:50, 10:25

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FRACTURE (R) (11:25 @ \$5), 2:10, 4:55, 7:40, 10:25
HOT FUZZ (R) (11:15 @ \$5), 2:05, 5:00, 7:50, 10:35

IN THE LAND OF WOMEN (PG13) (11:50 @ \$5), 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50
VACANCY (R) (11:10 @ \$5), 1:30, 3:50, 6:10, 8:30, 10:50

DISTURBIA (PG13) (11:20 @ \$5), 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:10
PATHFINDER (R) 6:15, 8:40, 11:10

PERFECT STRANGER (R) (11:45 @ \$5), 2:40, 5:20, 8:00, 10:40
SLOW BURN (R) 4:05

GRINDHOUSE (R) 12:30 PM
THE REAPING (R) 12:25, 6:50, 9:20

ARE WE DONE YET? (PG) (11:40 @ \$5), 2:15, 4:40, 7:10, 9:30
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FIREHOUSE DOG (PG) (10:45 @ \$5), 1:15, 3:45
BLADES OF GLORY (PG13) (10:40 @ \$5), 1:30, 3:25, 5:50, 8:20, 10:45

PRIDE (PG) 5:15, 8:10, 11:00
TMNT (PG) (10:50 @ \$5), 12:55, 3:05

300 (R) (10:55 @ \$5), 1:35, 4:15, 6:55, 9:35
WILD HOGS (PG13) (11:05 @ \$5), 1:45, 6:20, 8:45, 11:05

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REDLINE (PG13) 12:40, 4:50, 10:20

SLOW BURN (R) 2:50, 7:50
THE LAST MIMZY (PG) 12:00, 2:10, 4:30, 7:30, 9:45

REIGN OVER ME (R) 12:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:40
TMNT (PG) 12:30, 2:30, 5:10, 8:10, 10:40

PREMONITION (PG13) 12:10, 2:15, 4:40, 7:40, 10:10
BREACH (PG13) 1:00, 4:20, 7:20, 10:00

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DISTURBIA (PG13) 12:40, 3:10, 5:35, 8:10, 10:35
PATHFINDER (R) 4:05, 6:40, 9:35

PERFECT STRANGER (R) 1:00, 4:10, 7:10, 10:00
SLOW BURN (R) 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 9:50

GRINDHOUSE (R) 12:30 PM
THE REAPING (R) 1:20, 4:15, 7:15, 9:40

ARE WE DONE YET? (PG) 12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:40, 10:05
FIREHOUSE DOG (PG) 1:30

BLADES OF GLORY (PG13) 1:10, 3:30, 5:50, 8:00, 10:25
MEET THE ROBINSONS (G) 12:50, 3:10, 5:40, 8:15, 10:35

PRIDE (PG) 1:40, 4:30, 7:00, 9:45
SHOOTER (R) 4:35, 7:30, 10:20

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REDLINE (PG13) 4:15, 9:50
GRINDHOUSE (R) 12:15, 4:00, 8:00

300 (R) 1:30, 7:00
BREACH (PG13) 2:15, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00

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THE HOST (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 10:10
AMAZING GRACE (PG) 2:00, 5:00, 7:45, 10:15

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GRINDHOUSE (R) 2:00, 6:00, 10:00

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FRACTURE (R) / (10:40 @ \$6), 1:20, 4:05, 7:05, 9:55, 12:30
HOT FUZZ (R) / (10:20 @ \$6), 1:05, 4:10, 7:15, 10:05

IN THE LAND OF WOMEN (PG13) / (10:50 @ \$6), 1:10, 3:35, 6:00, 8:25, 10:50
VACANCY (R) / (10:35 @ \$6), 12:45, 3:00, 5:20, 7:55, 10:15, 12:25

DISTURBIA (PG13) / (10:05 @ \$6), 12:35, 3:15, 5:50, 8:25, 11:00
PATHFINDER (R) / (10:30 @ \$6), 12:50, 3:10, 5:35, 8:00, 10:25

PERFECT STRANGER (R) / (11:00 @ \$6), 1:40, 4:15, 7:00, 9:35, 12:10
GRINDHOUSE (R) (11:10 @ \$6), 3:05, 7:10, 11:00

THE REAPING (R) 8:35, 10:55
ARE WE DONE YET? (PG) (10:15 @ \$6), 12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:35, 10:00, 12:15

ARE WE DONE YET? (PG) (10:15 @ \$6), 12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:35, 10:00, 12:15
FIREHOUSE DOG (PG) (10:10 @ \$6), 12:40, 3:20, 5:55

BLADES OF GLORY (PG13) (10:00 @ \$6), 12:15, 2:35, 4:55, 7:20, 9:45, 12:05
SHOOTER (R) (11:05 @ \$6), 1:55, 4:50, 7:45, 10:35

300 (R) (10:45 @ \$6), 1:25, 4:20, 7:05, 9:50, 12:30
WILD HOGS (PG13) (10:25 @ \$6), 12:55, 3:25, 5:45, 8:15, 10:40

THE NAMESAKE (PG13) (10:55 @ \$6), 1:45, 4:35, 7:25, 10:30

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THE NAMESAKE (PG13) (10:55 @ \$6), 1:45, 4:35, 7:25, 10:30

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Nightlife Agenda

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO TONIGHT? BY FRITZ HAHN, RHOME ANDERSON AND DAVID MALITZ

FRIDAY

Unless you're so cutting edge it hurts, you probably haven't heard of **CODEBREAKER** yet — and we're stressing the word "yet." The Milwaukee-based electro duo has played with the likes of Hot Chip, Phoenix and Radio 4 in the Midwest, and it's definitely one to watch: The sound recalls some crazy house party where Cameo is drinking with Prince, Phoenix is partying with Daft Punk and Bootsy Collins is jamming on the sofa. Codebreaker's making its D.C. debut tonight at the **9:30 CLUB**'s monthly Infamy dance party, hosted by DJ Will Eastman (of Bliss) and the folks from DC9's Taint. Doors open at 10 p.m.

If you dismissed **TEEDRA MOSES** as "not Mary J. Blige," you missed out on some solid tunes like "Complex Simplicity" that could have bubbled up to the top of your digital playlist. It seems that her sound wasn't organic enough for the neo-soulsters or glossy enough for Beyonce worshippers, so Moses' 2004 debut was undeservedly overlooked. She made a positive first impression a couple years ago at Fur; catch her return trip to Washington tonight at the **BLACK CAT**, along with the PJ Morton Band.

SATURDAY

The tightly intertwined relationship between fashion and popular music is a subject more suited for

master's dissertations than our pithy column, but there's no better way to experience the two than at the **STYLEISTICS** events at the **ROCK AND ROLL HOTEL**. Local clothing and jewelry designers display their wares in fashion shows and sell them to the public, celebrity DJs rock the house and the crowd soaks in the atmosphere as well as cheap drinks. Tonight's edition features music by JD Samson and Johanna Fateman of Le Tigre, 11 D.C.-based designers, free drinks and clothing giveaways. Doors open at 7 p.m., and admission is free until the DJs start at 10 p.m. Ten percent of the proceeds go the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer.

SUNDAY

At an age when most people are just figuring out what to do with their lives, **THE WILLOWZ** are at a career crossroads of sorts. The members of the Los Angeles quartet, all in their very early 20s, are already on their third album and second label. Film director Michel Gondry discovered the band early on and has featured it on the soundtracks of both "Science of Sleep" and "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind." Singer Richie James Follin still sounds pretty much like Jack White, and the band's aggressive blues-rock attack isn't far off from the Stripes themselves, but on the recent "Chautauqua," the band has moved beyond simply bashing out fuzzy garage rockers and even slows things down and gets introspective on occasion. Still, expect a raucous good time when the Willowz open for New Rock Church of Fire at **THE RED & THE BLACK**.

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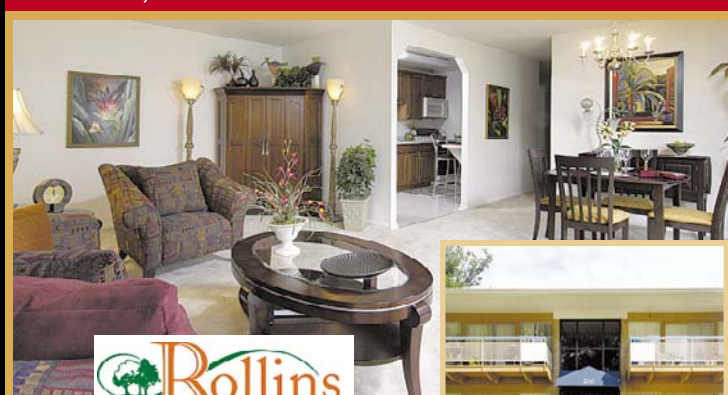
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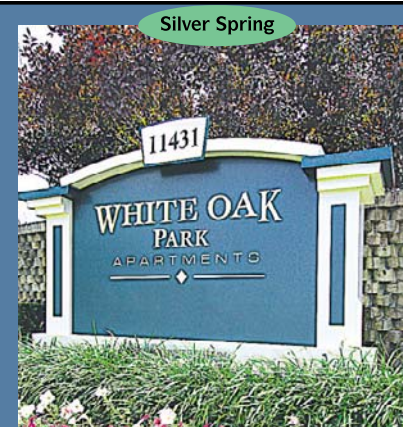
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Recreation

The bike that shifts itself may be the next big thing in cycling

Bill Lange thought his bike riding days were over. Gears were complicated. Stores were intimidating. Plus, he wasn't exactly itching to put those tight spandex shorts on his 58-year-old body.

Then Lange, of suburban Milwaukee, saw an ad for a new type of bike out this spring. The Lime, by the world's top bicycle-maker Trek, automatically shifts gears, has a wide seat and fluid style that looks like bikes Lange rode as a kid.

He was sold on the concept and bought the three-speed Lime for himself and one for his wife — no small investment at about \$500 each.

"Anything that has gears — it's complicated. And at 58, you don't want complicated — you want automatic," Lange said.

Bicycle-makers like Trek — the Waterloo, Wis.-based brand that Lance Armstrong rode in his Tour de France victories — and other industry players hope these automatic bikes will encourage non-riders to take up the sport. With an estimated 160 million people considered potential riders, strong sales could reverse the flat growth and dwindling rider numbers that have plagued the industry for years.

The bicycling industry saw sales

of all products hit nearly \$6.2 billion in 2005. But it's estimated to have dropped to \$5.8 billion last year, said Jay Townley, an industry analyst with Gluskin Townley Group, based in Lyndon Station, Wis.

Something is needed to woo casual riders, even if they're just hopping on their bikes to grab a cup of coffee or going around the block with their kids, said Andy Clarke, executive director of the League of American Bicyclists.

"Long-term, to keep replenishing the customer base, it's the

The Easiest Rider

non-enthusiast that has to be spoken to and brought into the fold," Clarke said.

Automatic shifting uses a computerized gear from bike component maker Shimano called Coasting, which is also used in new bikes by Trek, Raleigh America and Giant Bicycle Inc.

Shimano spent several years figuring out why ridership has decreased, and realized people wanted to ride for fun, but they were just intimidated, said Shannon Byrant, Coasting coordinator for the Irvine, Calif.-based company.

"We come to find out these people not only don't want high perfor-

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ANDY MANIS/AP

PEDALING THEIR WARES: Trek Bicycles' new Lime model automatically shifts among three gears and costs about \$500.

“Anything that has gears — it's complicated. And at 58, you don't want complicated — you want automatic.”

BILL LANGE, CASUAL CYCLIST

mance, they don't even care about it," she said.

On the Lime, it works like this: A hub in the front wheel acts as a speedometer and communicates electronically through wires within the bike frame to a computer

near the pedals. The computer then communicates with a three-speed internal shifter. The speedometer sends a signal to switch gears — which makes a quick, quiet buzz — after riders hit 7 mph and again at 11 mph. The pedals power the system so no batteries are needed.

Trek expects Lime to have broad appeal and expand its customer base.

"I think it will help, hopefully, with marketing and make Trek and cycling more of a household name," he said.

Trek is also working with its network of 2,000 dealers to make sure novices are not intimidated when they walk into a store. Dealers are learning

how to communicate with non-riders and are instructed to have special displays just for the automatic shifters.

New riders sometimes feel they're being looked down upon if they ask for help from experienced riders, said Clarke of the League of American Bicyclists. Longtime cyclists need to realize new riders have to be welcomed if the sport is going to grow.

"They need to remember the time before they were enthusiasts, when they were just getting into cycling and what kind of learning curve they went through and who it was that helped them get the love of cycling they now have," he said.

EMILY FREDRIX (AP)

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IDOL CHATTER

Sayonara to Sanjaya

Just when you start to actually like someone, he or she is gone. Sanjaya gets voted off, Fergie teaches amateurs how to be glamorous, and then there's the infamous Simon eye-roll — it's a banner week for "American Idol." Express' Arion Berger has all the details. | [ONLINE NOW](#)



ENTERTAINMENT

Kenna Chameleon

Kenna was born in Addis Ababa, grew up in Cincinnati, then suddenly found himself classmates with Pharrell — so it's no surprise people call his music "rocktronica." Express contributor Glenn Dixon tells us why Kenna is the next big thing. | [ONLINE NOW](#)

FREE RIDE

Ditch Your Dinosaurs

Do your friends laugh at the Pentium 486 Gateway hiding in your supply closet? Worry no more, because the D.C. Department of the Environment is holding its Household and Hazardous Waste Collection and Electronics Recycling Day at Carter Barron on Saturday. Get the details at readexpress.com. | [ONLINE NOW](#)



comment board

“At what point would you say that killing your child becomes murder? Since getting halfway out of the womb and getting your head crushed isn't murder, I'm just wondering when it is.”

SIMPLE PIG FARMER, RESPONDING TO THURSDAY'S POLL CENTER QUESTION, "DO YOU AGREE WITH THE BAN ON PARTIAL-BIRTH ABORTIONS?"



“Everything in the legal system is based on your birth date: when you can drink, when you can drive, when you can collect Social Security. Before that, you don't exist. You can't kill someone who doesn't exist in the eyes of the law.”

STR, ADDING THAT CHURCH/STATE SEPARATION SHOULD KEEP OFFICIALS "FROM ENFORCING THE CHURCH'S OPINION ON ABORTIONS."

poll center

TODAY'S QUESTION

Should NBC have aired the Virginia Tech killer's video?

1. Yes
2. No

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Do you agree with the ban on partial-birth abortions?

AS OF 7 P.M. THURSDAY. NOT A SCIENTIFIC POLL.

NO
55%

YES
45%

SEE HOW YOUR METRO STATION VOTED AT [READEXPRESS.COM/POLLCENTER.PHP](http://readexpress.com/pollcenter.php)

Blog LOG

“I feel the need to point out that ‘troubled’ and ‘loner’ are overlapping sets. Not all troubled persons are loners, and not all loners are troubled.”

REPUBLICOFT.COM THINKS THE COMBINED USE OF "TROUBLED" AND "LONER" WHEN DESCRIBING VIRGINIA TECH GUNMAN CHO SEUNG-HUI SUI STIGMATIZES THOSE WHO KEEP TO THEMSELVES.



“COMFORT MAY be a reason to buy something to wear in private ... but it is NOT an acceptable justification for wearing said item in public space, especially if that item is a pair of Crocs and you are a professional woman with dignity and at least 20/800 vision.”

ASERIOUSJOBISNOEXCUSE.BLOGSPOT.COM IS NOT A FAN OF THE POPULAR CROCS.

“His family's sadness is 33 times worse than everyone else's. They lost a son and they raised a son responsible for 32 families' tragedies. That's a lot of weight. ... That's what the Cho family bears.”

BAXTERGROWSUP.BLOGSPOT.COM SAYS THE FAMILY OF VIRGINIA TECH GUNMAN CHO SEUNG-HUI FACES MUCH GRIEF.

“HE COULD JUST as well move to Narnia if he thinks moving is going to help him escape his sexual orientation. Ted, ... wherever you go, your orientation will be going with you. You'll never be able to run fast enough or move far enough to escape it.”

A COMMENTER AT **TOWLEROAD.COM** THINKS FALLEN EVANGELICAL LEADER TED HAGGARD'S RELOCATION TO AN ARIZONA CHURCH WON'T HELP HIM MUCH.

“WHILE UNEMPLOYED, I used to dress up in my suit, pretend to be part of whatever conference was going on. ... Once, a conference attendee asked me what I thought about that morning's session on biotechnology. I told him I thought we had a long way to go in 'our field.'”

ARJEWTINO.COM GIVES TIPS ON HOW TO SNATCH UP FREE FOOD AT THE WASHINGTON HILTON AND OTHER PLACES IN D.C.

Live Online

Va. Tech Tragedy

Metro columnist **MARC FISHER** was online at washingtonpost.com on Thursday to discuss this week's massacre at Virginia Tech and NBC's decision to air the killer's video.



What do you think of NBC's decision to air some of the gunman's footage? Is it wrong to reward the killer by giving publicity to his “manifesto”?

I don't see how it's rewarding the killer to show the video. The killer

is dead. The purpose of showing the video is to enlist the nation in trying to understand what these killers are all about, how they get to this point and how we as a society can think about effectively deterring or helping such folks in the future.

I read his mental evaluation by the court dated in December 2005.

Why was this not a red flag when he applied to purchase the gun?

As I understand Virginia law, that's not a factor in eligibility to buy a gun, unless the potential buyer has been committed, which Cho was not.

Has anyone heard anything from Cho's parents? Specifically, if a university the size of Tech and the

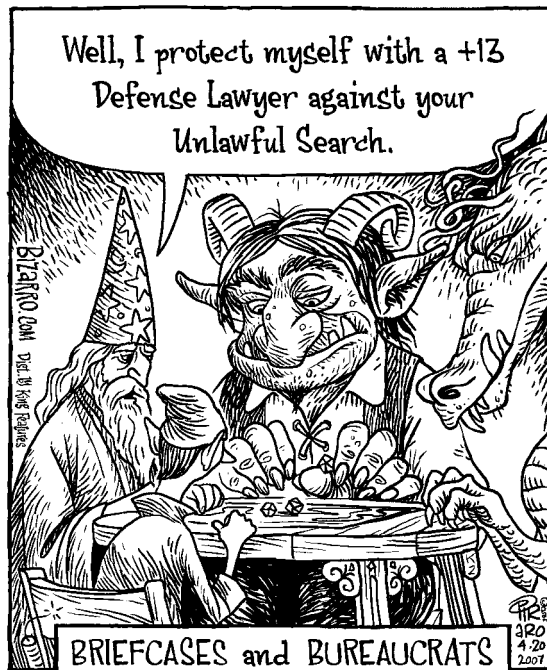
enormous bureaucracy of the state mental health system are under scrutiny, why shouldn't we also be asking the people who knew him best these difficult questions?

We should indeed be asking those questions about the family. How much did they know about their son's mental state? What actions did they take? Did they look the other way? These are essential questions. The family is in hiding with relatives and has not been available to answer questions. Ideally, that will happen at some point in some way.

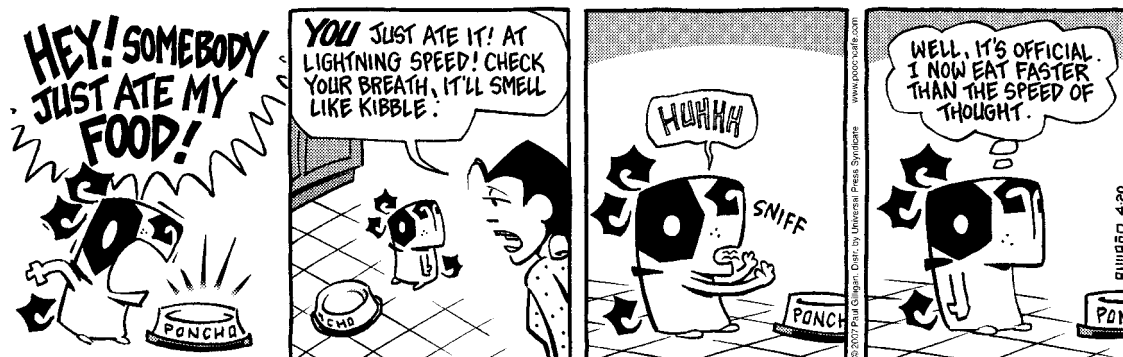
TODAY ON LIVE ONLINE: Washington Post film critic Desson Thompson discusses a busy weekend at the box office at 12:30 p.m. | washingtonpost.com/liveonline

DO

SAVE THE WORLD. Sunday is Earth Day. And while you can march on Capitol Hill to help combat global warming, there are many other ways to help the environment. Learn about the 27-year-old celebration and find local and everyday activities to participate in (www.epa.gov/earthday).

Bizarro | Dan Piraro

Cornered | Mike Baldwin


"And in this corner, weighing in at 237 pounds, 7 1/2 ounces..."

Pooch Cafe | Paul Gilligan

Pearls Before Swine | Stephan Pastis

The Duplex | Glenn McCoy


Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You're in the mood to assist others, and you may be willing to sacrifice your own progress to help a friend achieve something wonderful.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your commitment to a current project is admirable, but you may be giving so much of yourself that your perspective is getting blurred.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) An aggressive, bold stance may get you what you want—but you're not likely to have as many supporters when all is said and done.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Avoid being overly demonstrative among those who do not know you well. There is a time and a place for everything, including self-expression.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Though your primary task may be to tend to immediate concerns as they arise, don't pass up the opportunity to work on a long-term basis.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You and others

will be relying on your own public image perhaps more than you know. Be willing to listen to unspoken messages.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You'll be quite vulnerable to suggestion—at all times and in all places. Take care others do not take advantage of you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Expectation is high, but don't let superiors take advantage of you in any way. You can only do so much.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Focus on your own needs and desires, and you'll learn a bit more about the role you are destined to play during the days and weeks to come.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Watch what you say and do, particularly when you are depending on others for your progress and well-being. It's a good day to heed the rules.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) While things are on hold in one respect, you can use the time available to you to get all the closer to one or two other secondary goals.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You can take some time to gather new information that will prove useful to you in the days to come. Plans may have to be altered.

Letters

2nd Amendment Outdated

LET'S NOT BE REVISIONIST historians about the Second Amendment ("Guns Allow for Protection," April 19). The framers of the Constitution made it clear through various writings and quotes what their intentions were regarding the right to bear arms: a means

to keep a tyrannical government in check through the threat of revolt, as was happening in both America and France at the time. With today's smart bombs and JSF jets, it could easily be argued that this is a concept whose time has come and gone (like the electoral college)—but we don't have to change history or deny its original meaning in order to debate that.

—ANTHONY ROBERTS
Springfield, Va.

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Today in History

1812 The fourth vice president of the United States, George Clinton, dies in Washington at age 73, becoming the first vice president to die while in office.

1836 Congress votes to establish the Wisconsin Territory.

1889 Future Nazi dictator Adolf Hitler is born in Braunau, Austria.

1945 During World War II, allied forces take control of the German cities of Nuremberg and Stuttgart.

1971 The Supreme Court, in *Swann v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education*, unanimously upholds the use of busing to achieve racial desegregation in schools.

1999 Two students shoot and kill 12 classmates and one teacher before taking their own lives in the Columbine High School massacre.

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LOOK

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People

STATISTICS

Paparazzi Are Responsible For 98 Percent of World's Ills

While shooting “A Mighty Heart” in Mumbai, India, **ANGELINA JOLIE** says things got out of hand. She blames the paparazzi for creating mayhem at a school where she was filming. Her guards, who said they were staving off photogs, were accused of blocking parents from picking up their kids. “It was not the film production that caused chaos,” Jolie tells *Entertainment Weekly*. (AP)



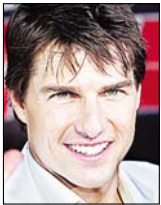
The paparazzi frequently foil Angeli-na's attempts to save the world forever.

NO, THANKS

Suri Cruise's Dad Exposes Rescue Workers to Crazy

TOM CRUISE appeared Thursday in Manhattan to raise money for the New York Rescue Workers Detoxification Project. Based on principles developed by Scientology founder L. Ron Hubbard, the program offers free

treatment to emergency workers who suffer breathing difficulties and other problems stem-ming from expo-sure to toxins at Ground Zero after the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks. (AP)



OVERKILL

Cheaper Ways to Feel Safe: Mace, Deadbolts, Attack Dogs

LINDSAY LOHAN says she felt safe while in rehab earlier this year, but isn't an addict. Her room was “all white, with a parquet, and it was different! I just felt safe,” she says. “I thought, I'm going to stay here tonight.” And I stayed there. For a month. It was great.” (AP)



She also feels safe in boxes and locked cages.



SNORE

Usual Suspects

Another day, another list. But what the heck? This one is a “What is Sexy?” rundown from Victoria's Secret. Justin Timberlake is sexiest male musician, **JESSICA ALBA** is sexiest actress and David Beckham is sexiest dad. Matthew McConaughey was honored for his “beach body.” “You know, he has his shirt off a lot lately,” said judge Heidi Klum, host of Bravo's “Project Runway.” (AP)



A famous person taking responsibility?

HONESTY

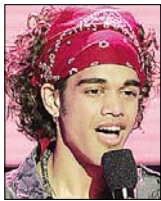
Rock Doesn't Act At All Like Celebrity

CHRIS ROCK has asked a Georgia court to determine whether he's the father of a boy whose mother tried to file a paternity lawsuit. Rock “desires to contribute to the support, maintenance and education” of the boy if he's the father. (AP)

DELUSION

Sanjaya Remains Optimistic That Infamy Trumps Talent

The freshly eliminated **SANJAYA MALAKAR** said he did it his way on



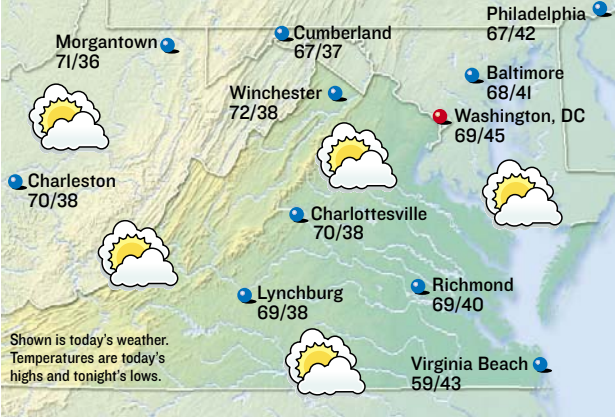
“American Idol” and he'll take the same approach to music, acting, modeling and whatever else comes his way.

“I just want the full entertainment business and career, I guess,” he said. But for now, “I haven't had the opportunity to get any offers, but I'm sure they will come.” (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Partly sunny, warmer	Clear	Sunny	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Partly sunny, shower possible
69°	45°	76° / 49°	76° / 54°	76° / 55°	75° / 52°

Regional Weather



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Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Thur.

Temperature

High 55°

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Normal low 47°

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Year to date 11.83"

Last year to date 7.38"

Normal year to date 11.17"

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Regional Forecast

D.C. Metro: Today, partly sunny, warmer. High 66. Wind north-northeast 7-14 mph. Tonight, clear. Low 45. Wind north-northwest 4-8 mph.

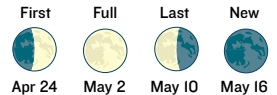
Sun and Moon

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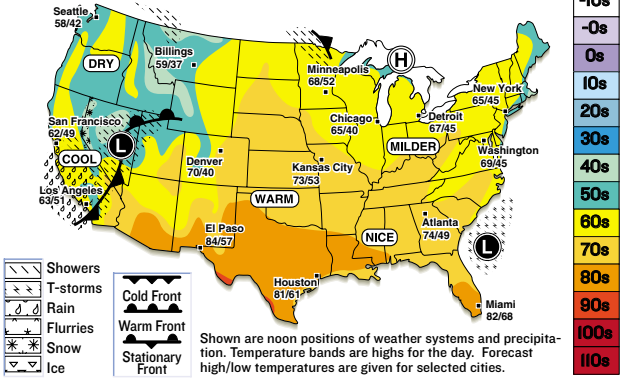
Sunset tonight 7:50 p.m.

Moonrise today 8:20 a.m.

Moonset today none



National Weather for Friday, April 20



National Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Atlanta	Hi/Low/W	Hi/Low/W
Boston	56/42/s	62/43/s
Chicago	65/40/s	73/49/s
Dallas	80/60/pc	78/61/t
Denver	70/40/s	65/39/sh
Honolulu	86/72/s	85/72/s
Los Angeles	63/51/r	68/53/pc
Miami	82/68/s	81/68/pc
New York City	65/45/s	74/49/s
Orlando	79/60/s	79/58/pc
Seattle	58/42/s	58/45/c

World Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Amsterdam	Hi/Low/W	Hi/Low/W
Athens	55/42/c	59/45/pc
Berlin	68/52/pc	70/52/pc
Buenos Aires	52/34/pc	59/36/pc
Calgary	41/28/sn	42/31/sh
Dublin	59/45/pc	61/46/c
Geneva	72/46/s	73/50/s
Moscow	54/38/c	40/29/sn
Rome	72/52/sh	72/54/pc
Sydney	72/60/pc	74/60/pc
Tokyo	61/54/pc	71/57/c

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LOOK out

Battlefields

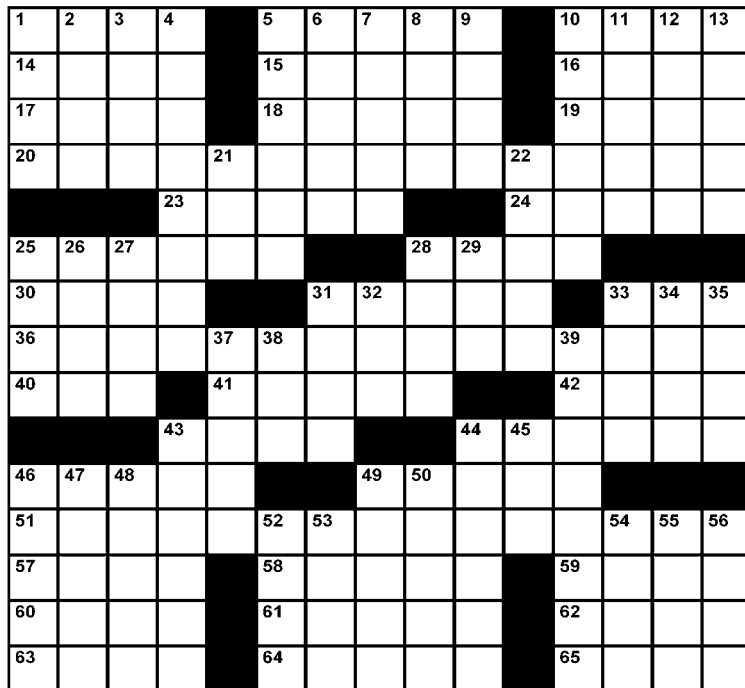
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30 Offensive expression
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33 Clear plate after plate
36 Kings' battlefield
40 Words from the sponsors
41 They give inside information
42 Point in a network
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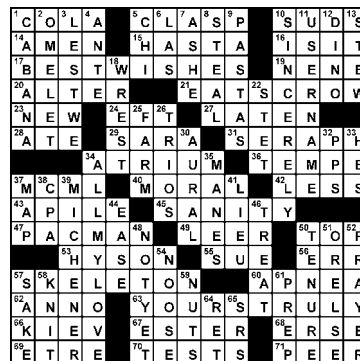
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10 Slowly washes away
11 "No ____ an island"
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22 Empire conquered by Cortes
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27 Total disorder
28 Smoke-filled room folk
29 Immigrant's study, for short



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38 Start for "ode" or "pod"
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44 Renders impure
45 Your financial advisor advises it

46 Give or take
47 Vader's title
48 "Ah, Wilderness!" mother
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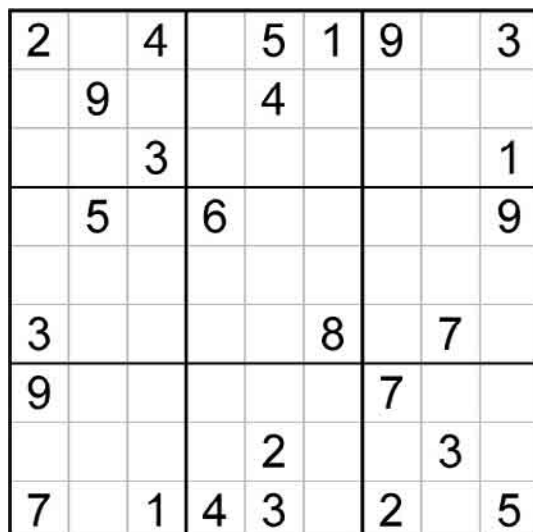


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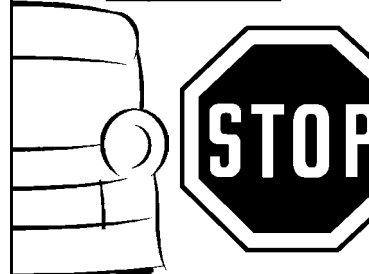
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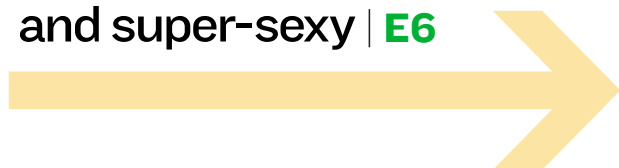
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face QA time

■ **Known for flirty frocks,** ladylike shoes and funky housewares, design diva Cynthia Rowley never met a product she couldn't make whimsical. She can also pen a pithy book, as shown by the "Swell" series of chic-living guides she co-authored with Ilene Rosenzweig. She's just put out "Slim" (\$30, Rizzoli), a "fantasy memoir" of tall tales, drawings and reminisces of a fashionable life. She reads from it April 24 at the Corcoran.

This is a fun book, and I love the illustrations. Why did you write it?
I've got two daughters, and a lot of things I've been doing lately are with them. So, this book is meant to be shared with kids. It's a way for me to think about the stylish family.

What's a stylish family?
I think it's about incorporating kids into your life wherever you can, whether it's shopping with them for clothes or trying to think of them when you decorate.

How do you decorate with kiddos?
Before my first daughter was born, I lived in a huge loft of wall-to-wall white carpet and white furniture.

My friends said, "You're crazy; you'll have to move." And after I found my daughter's name written in purple crayon on the carpet and a Cy Twombly-like drawing on the wall, I thought, "Maybe they're right."

So, how did you create a space for both you and your kids?
I tried to make it more versatile, with lacquered furniture and brightly colored paints.

The book talks about glamming up ordinary things, even camping trips. How do you do that in your own pad?
In our living room, we have a gold-



Cynthia Rowley

CLOTHING DESIGNER, AUTHOR

leafed grand piano that has never worked. So, we put plastic underneath it, fill it with ice and use it to serve drinks at parties.

What's been the biggest inspiration for your clothing line this spring?
A lot of it was inspired by wicker-work, like porch sets you'd want to sit on in summer. We did fabric that recreates the kind of caning you'd

see on wicker, only slicker, sort of futuristic. It's an exciting challenge to take something retro and combine it with a modern silhouette.

Which of your designs are you sporting yourself?
I wear lots of dresses, and I put them on practically the second the freight forwarder delivers them. I'm having to wear them with tights right now,

"We have a grand piano that never worked. We fill it with ice and use it to serve drinks."

because it's been so cold.
You did a line of home products for Target. How was that different from doing clothes?
Maybe clothing needs to be a little more sophisticated because of price? But I think I use the same sensibility no matter what I design. Now I'm working on a boogie board.

What's your dream project?
A disposable diaper, because it's an article of clothing and nobody treats it that way.

In "Swell" and "Slim," what sort of lifestyle are you hawking?
The main point is to relax and embrace imperfection. I think people should be creative in everything they do. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)



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4 Ranch Dressing

COWBOY BOOTS, with their pointy toes and jugged-in heels, evoke visions of outlaw shoot-outs and country-song break-ups. The coolest footwear since gladiator sandals stars in Jennifer June's new book "Cowboy Boots: The Art & Sole" (\$23, Universe). Lush-as-a-Texas-wildflower-photoshowkickers embellished with dancing skeletons, U.S. flags and the Virgin Mary. Almost as fascinating: the 100-plus-year history of the clompers.

Grab Bag



3 A Glass With Class

IF YOU THOUGHT THE PRICES AT PX were outlandish, brace yourself for the newest drink at the Capital Grille (601 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; 202-737-6200). A cool \$1,000 buys you a concoction of Ciroc Vodka, Crème de Mure and fresh berries topped with an extra-special twist: a sterling silver-and-pearl necklace designed by Steven Lagos. Half the tab goes to Share Our Strength, a non-profit working to end hunger — and after coughing up that grand, you may have to turn to them for your next meal.

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ANSWERS FROM THE SHOEBLOGGER

I must soon sit for my oral examinations to determine whether I will receive my master's degree and be permitted to begin my doctoral degree. So, as you can see, I need serious shoe help. — MELISSA

■ Manolo says, it would have helped if the Melissa had mentioned her course of study, as the shoes one would use to impress the electrical engineers are very different from the shoes needed to soothe the professors of Marxist theology. Still, the clothing should be



sober and professional, something that recognizes and honors the importance of this rite of passage.

Also, this is one of the few cases in which the Manolo would tell his friend not to wear the shoes that are so super-fantastic as to make her examiners jealous, for few things can become more dangerously petty than the professor who is jealous of the graduate student. In such cases they are like the cornered ferrets.

Better to appear just super-fantastic enough to make them feel that you are worthy of the high honors. Here is the Helix from the Franco Sarto (\$93, zappos.com), the pretty yet serious mid-heel pump with the tiny bit of the peeping toe and the reasonable graduate-student price.



Ask the Manolo a question at manolo@shoeblogs.com. Visit the Manolo at shoeblogs.com.

ON THE COVER

Jalika wears a bikini by Vix (top \$52, bottom \$76, figleaves.com) and shoes from **J.Crew** (\$160). Hair and makeup by **Richard Bernal, T.H.E. Artist Agency** and **Skin Beauty Lounge**. Model, **Cima Talent Management**. Photo by **Marge Ely**.



California Dreamy

PASTEL LEAF or posy prints that teeter between English garden-sweet and "I'm with the band"-cool rule Core's soft and sexy T-shirts, new at Betsy Fisher. Produced by a Los Angeles design house, the slimming toppers boast burn-out details and skinny shapes that'd pair well with long shorts. (\$65, 1224 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-785-1975)



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5 So Long, Sugar Cone

THIS IMAGE MAY resemble an Oreo, but those cookies are triple their usual size and stuffed with Better Batter ice cream. You can pick any filling (and roll it in any topping) when you order the new Maggie-Os at Maggie Moo's. They're yummiest when just a tad melted. (\$14-\$17 for six, see maggiemoos.com for locations)

Carb Carrying

WHAT'S BIGGER than a bread box, at least for con-tempo design freaks? Stelton's cotton croissant-or loaf-stashing bags (\$32 each, lekkerhome.com). The sleek sacks fold down for small goodies like scones and stand tall for long baguettes. Magnets allow the bright-colored conveyances to close tightly, meaning they can both keep fresh-from-the-oven buns hot or store leftovers sans staleness.

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Linda Watson as Brünnhilde, above; one of her favorite Aveda products, right.



Goodness Goddess

Famed opera singer talks beauty, on and off the stage

Soprano Linda Watson isn't just your ordinary opera singer. She's a Kammersängerin, a title bestowed by the German government in honor of achievements in Deutsche culture, and she just finished singing the role of Brünnhilde in the Washington National Opera's production of Wagner's "Die Walküre."

Brünnhilde, a warrior goddess, "wouldn't be wearing any makeup," says Watson. "She's supposed to be 16 or 17, but very beautiful, very pure." Of course, to get that divinely natural look, Watson has to pile on the products.

She recently made a major change in her onstage routine. "The make-up I used was whatever they had at the opera house," she says. "Then I found out that Bare Escentuals minerals (bareescentuals.com) are also fantastic for the stage. Placido Domingo decided he wanted "Die Walküre" filmed, and I brought Bare Escentuals to my makeup artist. On TV, you do not want to see grimacing opera singers with makeup flying everywhere." Now, it's her brand of choice for shows.

A fan of experimentation, her everyday style "shifts all the time," she says, "based on mood." MAC is her choice for eyes and lips but, other than that, all loyalty is off. "I'm a person who gets tired of mascara. I use it for about four weeks and then throw it away."

For skin care, she's forever seeking novelty. Bedtime ablu-

tions include Bobbi Brown overnight cream (\$60, bobbi browncosmetics.com). "It is fantastic, and nobody knows about it," she says. She also loves Aveda's Intensive Hydrating mask (\$19, aveda.com) and Resilience Lift from Estee Lauder (\$50, esteeauder.com).

While Watson carries only about 40 products on the road, at home — well, "I'm glad you didn't ask how many products I have, because it's boxes," she says.

When traveling, her most important rule is to hydrate. Her secret weapon? An Evian water mister (\$10, Sephora). "I not only spray my face with Evian, I inhale it all the time," she explains. "And I drink 2 quarts of water on every plane ride." KRISTEN PAGE-KIRBY (EXPRESS)

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STYLE SHOOTER: Design dude Christopher Lowell insists all you need to redecorate your home is a weekend and a glue gun.

Craft Show-Off

Christopher Lowell on DIY decor you can finish in a flash

Using his chatty, you-go-decorate-girl style, designer Christopher Lowell expounds on wall painting, curtain hanging and pillow picking on his TV hits (Discovery Home's "Wall to Wall" and "The Christopher Lowell Show") as well as on the radio and in best-selling books. His latest hands-on decor tome is "Christopher Lowell's One-of-a-Kind Decorating Projects" (\$30, Clarkson Potter). In it, he

applies his glue gun and flamboyant verbiage to easy-to-do, almost-homemade creations, from a South Beachy upholstered headboard to a birdseed-covered table. He chatted with Express about getting crafty and chic.

You didn't do crafts for a long time yourself. Why did you start again? When I first started, I wanted to make a distinct separation between crafting and how-to. So, I was never about fussy, cutesy crafts for therapy. But I do think we all want a way to express our creativity, a way of customizing our homes. So, I set out to make crafting more fun, to have it be a way to create useful things for your home.

Why are modern, hip people turning back to handmade accents?

As we get more technically evolved, we want to feel a sense of satisfaction. When the human hand touches something, it smiles. The problem this generation runs into is we don't have time to make things.

What kind of quick projects do you suggest they do?

Get out there and find things that already exist and adapt them. You don't want to spend time cutting drapes from a bolt of material, but you can buy curtains and add a border with accent tape, or cover a lampshade with ribbon. Start with stuff that's 90 percent made, and then customize it.

What sort of projects should people steer clear of?

Any craft you get into involving Play-Doh or Popsicle sticks means trouble. And if you think, "I'm so bored, I'm gonna try this," you start off half-assed and do it badly. That'll destroy your self-esteem.

Has technology transformed DIY?

Absolutely. I mean, one thing you can do now that was impossible before is to take all the photos on your computer, turn them into black-and-white prints, frame them and turn a back hallway into a fabulous gallery.

"Start with stuff that's 90 percent made, and then customize it."

What about craft stores? Any tips on navigating the madness of Michaels?

You have to be careful. Take a shopping list with you, or you'll come home with all these new things you don't even need for your project. You have to be careful not to overspend.

What's the fastest way to change your home?

Paint it! Even if you live in a rental, don't be held hostage by the landlord. Make your home a reflection of who you are, even if that's a country-farm look with chickens. If you can't explore personal creativity there, where else can you?

Any new trends you see coming?

I've been involved in designing some boutique hotels, and I really think they are fueling how our homes will look tomorrow. They're not gender-specific, so men and women both like them.

How do you deck out your homes?

I'm in the schlepping business, so I always make sure I don't move in until a place is done. And I look for a home's heartbeat and decorate around that, whether it's a Spanish-style place or a contemporary one. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

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Heating Up the Home Frontier

■ It'd be great to spend June through August in an antique-strewn Cannes villa or a rustic Montana lodge. But even if your only warm-weather escape is a Columbia Heights balcony, the Washington Design Center's "A Summer House" (300 D St. SW) showcase provides breezy decorating ideas.

Eight spaces tricked out by local interior designers range from Stan Kelly's Swede dining suite, above, to Studio Nuovo's Miami-nice living room, complete with faux Biscayne Bay vistas. Seagrass rugs, walls painted to resemble the Outer Banks (sans tourists) and springy florals abound.

While perhaps too beachy for some, even a shoreophobe would love Kelly Proxmire's mod-meets-trad bedroom, where black walls set off white-and-orange bedding and upholstery. Botanical prints line the walls, and a canopy bed beckons. It's a comforting, cool look that makes you want to pour a glass of lemonade, crank up the air and stay awhile. J.B.

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Do castoffs make chic build-ings? Find out by watching "Scrap House," a doc about San Fran architects who recycled trash into design treasure. April 23, 7 p.m., National Building Museum, 401 F St. NW.



Adult Swim

Frostbite might seem like a more immediate threat than sunburn right now, but soon another sweltering D.C. summer will have you trading in your woolly sweaters for skimpy swimwear. From minxy-yet-modest maillots to bodacious bikinis of the itsy-bitsy, teeny-weeny variety, this season's suits go mod with bold patterns and nod to nautical with bright stripes and jaunty accents. Bathing baubles — hardcore gold hardware and other ultra-girly, jewelry-inspired details — punch up the poolside glam factor. Sadly, though, winning the 100-meter butterfly in these pretty babies might be out of the question. COLLEEN EGAN



1) URSULA ADDRESS, HALLE BERRY ... clearly, the secret of these Bond beauties' iconic emerging-from-the-ocean scenes was the belted bathing suit. (\$150, figleaves.com)

5) THIS SMOKIN' HOT Betsey Johnson bikini would be best paired with Lucite heels and a muscle car. But flip-flops and a beach towel work, too. (\$136, South Moon Under, 2700 Clarendon Blvd., Arlington; 703-807-4083)

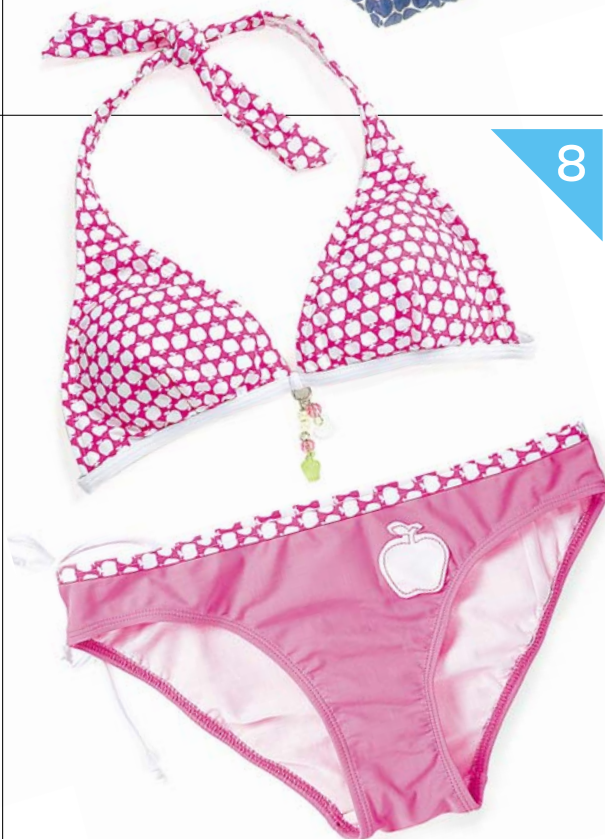
6) WHAT DO HIGH-CUT LEGS, a low waist and a Brazilian back mean? Your booty had better be shipshape to rock this nautical number with an "Ahoy!" aesthetic. (\$152, figleaves.com)

2) PALE MAY BE THE NEW TAN, but a teeny white bikini is still most flattering on non-pasty skin. (\$58 top, \$48 bottom, armaniexchange.com; hat, \$32, South Moon Under; shoes, \$160, jcrew.com)

THIS SEASON'S SUITS GO MOD WITH BOLD PATTERNS AND NOD TO NAUTICAL WITH BRIGHT STRIPES.



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Emily Mannie, Matthew Scherer

Emily, 30, is a physician's assistant. Matthew, 34, is an acquisition due diligence consultant. They live in Washington.

■ **The Main Event:** A "tiny, intimate" wedding for 65 to 80 guests in Wheaton on April 20.

■ **Honeymoon:** "It's a surprise," said Matthew. "I can say that we will be gone for 12 days, a passport is required and it will be a combination of adventure and relaxation."

■ **How They Met:** At 18th Street Lounge. But Emily left without giving him her number. So she put an ad in the

City Paper's "I Saw You" section. "He was blown away by my mad personal-ad writing skills," says Emily. "He responded. I didn't get it. He put in his own ad. I was mildly impressed by his ability to form sentences. I responded. Love connection!"

■ **How He Proposed:** "After carrying around an engagement ring all day while hiking in the Shenandoah Mountains, I finally got down on one knee after a campfire dinner of canned baked beans and hot dogs on a stick," says Matthew.

■ **Wedding Jitters:** "Rain," says Matthew. "The indoor contingency plan is less than ideal."

■ **With an Unlimited Budget ...** "We'd fly everyone to Paris for a mid-night candlelight ceremony in a castle. Or fly everyone to Fiji for a party on the beach," says Emily.

"I was blown away by her confidence and sense of humor."



Avast, Me Matey

Some couples try to avoid drama in their relationship. **ELIZABETH ANDREWS** and **BEN ZITELLI** embrace it. While at Penn State, "we worked together at the No Refund Theatre for four years," says Elizabeth. "I built a set for her with working light switches, but to run the other lights and sound effects I had to sit in a fire hazard of my own design with wires and switches draped all over me," says Ben. Though they never dated in college, years later Elizabeth contacted him to direct a production for a community theater group she founded, the KUUMBA Players. "Eventually, we figured out what everyone else had already seen," she says.

The two will marry in a vintage-inspired ceremony for 165 guests in Washington. "We're going for F. Scott Fitzgerald garden party-style," says Elizabeth. The flower girls' dresses are made from Victorian lace, and Elizabeth will carry a handkerchief sewn for her grandmother's wedding in the 1940s.

Elizabeth, 31, is a theatre educator. Ben, 29, is a landscape architect. They live in Washington and will marry April 28.



Eugene Skelton, Susie Wohlford

Eugene, 28, is an aerospace engineer for Lockheed Martin. Susie, 26, is an interior architect for Davis, Carter, Scott. They live in Arlington.

■ **The Main Event:** A beach ceremony for 31 in Key West, Fla., on May 28.

■ **How They Met:** "We met at Hokie House on the last day of final exams, when Eugene was a senior," say the Virginia Tech grads.

■ **First Impressions:** "She's cute!" "Wow, he's cute!"

■ **First Date:** They met at a mutual friend's place to watch the last episode of "Beverly Hills, 90210." "No, I didn't really care about '90210,'" says Susie.

■ **How He Proposed:** "At Epcot in Disney World," says Eugene.

■ **Most Hated Clothing Item:** "The ugly plaid shirt with a hole in it that he wears golfing," says Susie.

■ **Stupidest Fight:** "We had a fight

"We had a fight because Susie wanted matching wedding bands," says Eugene.

about three years before we even got engaged, because Susie wanted matching wedding bands," says Eugene. "I don't even remember that anymore," says Susie. "And do we even have matching bands now? NO!"

■ **When He Knew:** "During our trip to Vegas for her 25th birthday."

■ **Wedding Jitters:** "Bad weather!" says Susie. "Susie getting stressed out," says Eugene.

■ **Their Song:** "The Hokie Pokie," says Eugene. "Because that's what it's all about," says Susie.

Danielle Boudreaux, Isaac Natter

Danielle, 29, is an English professor at Howard University. Isaac, 28, is a lawyer for the Navy. They live in Washington.

■ **The Main Event:** A casual ceremony on April 20 in Bethesda. They expect around 50 guests, though "based on how many people have actually RSVP'd, I'd say four," says Isaac.

■ **How They Met:** "At a coffee shop across from my office in Monroe, La.,

where I had my first job after law school," says Isaac. "He was harassing evangelical Christians, and I thought he was funny," says Danielle.

■ **When He Knew:** "I had a realization, laying in bed one weekend afternoon, that I couldn't imagine life without Danielle," says Isaac. "It took me months before I told her I felt that way."

■ **How He Proposed:** "On the wharf



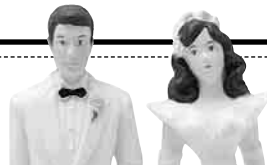
in Lafitte, La. I was barefoot and holding warm cucumbers from Mom and Dad's garden."

■ **Most Hated Clothing Item:** "Her

bras. All of them," says Isaac. "Free the Boudreaux Two!"

■ **Celebrating Heritage:** "I'm a non-practicing/bad Jew and Danielle is a lapsed Catholic/spiritual hippy," says Isaac. "So, we're trying to incorporate parts of our cultures into the ceremony. We're having a chuppah, but we're making it ourselves. The top is a shrimp net that Danielle's father made, and it will have Spanish moss on it, so it will look like a chuppah overtaken by the swamp."

■ **Mmm, Cake:** "A sheet cake from Giant with Brancusi's 'The Kiss' air-brushed onto it," says Danielle.



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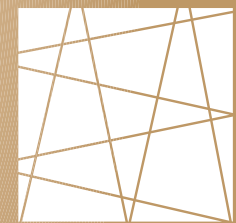
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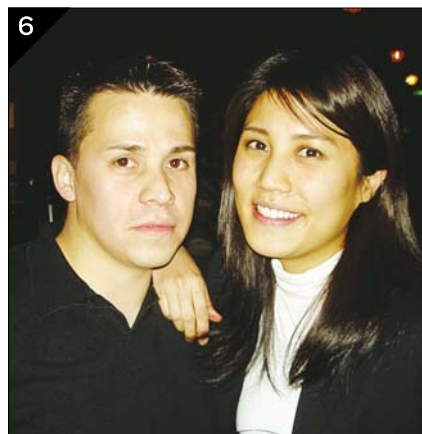
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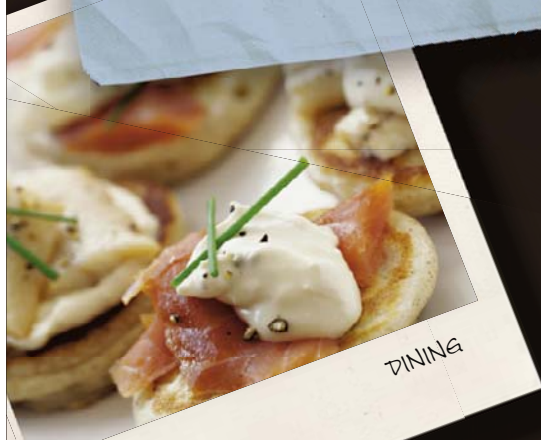
1. "Mountain biking in Great Falls," Levi Grubb, left. "I like to go to Modern and bring my glow sticks," Greg Miller. **2.** "Local 16," A.J. Mencias, with Sabrina Copp. **3.** "I like to go to McFadden's and cougar-hunt," Mary Beth Wagner, left, with Christie Rhodes. **4.** "Cafe Citron. They have great salsa dancing," Patchara Promma, with Lester Mato. **5.** "The 'Awakening' statue at Hains Point," Lisa Fasullo, left. "The waterfront," Emily Black, with Chris Black. **6.** "The Lincoln Memorial," Marbin Lozoda. "The World War II Memorial," Jean Tak. KRIS CORONADO

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